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Survey results show a student drug problem Grants, programs in place to help curb drug, alcohol use

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education received some troubling information at its Oct. 20 board meeting, when the results from a drug survey were presented.

The results show that there is a greater percentage of Crawford AuSable students who have used a particular drug at least once in their lifetime, when the percentage is compared to the national average.

"We have reached a time when Crawford AuSable schools should start its own war on drugs," Pete Ingvarsson, district state and federal programs facilitator, said, explaining the reason for the drug issue being on the agenda.

The data shows that the Grayling High School seniors are above the national average in use of drugs, cigarettes, alcohol and smokeless tobacco.

The information came from the Alcohol and Other Drug Survey that was administered to district eighth grade students, sophomores and seniors in the spring of 1997 by Western Michigan University.

Ingvarsson told the board mem-

bers that the survey was done very professionally by the university. He even followed the persons who distributed the survey around to various classrooms to make sure the survey results would be accurate.

There was one item that really made Ingvarsson think, following the survey being completed by students. Some seniors came up to Ingvarsson and said, "We understand what you are trying to do, but you are too late."

The school district has received a formula grant for alcohol and other drug prevention programming, Ingvarsson said. A supplementary grant also was given to the district from the State of Michigan. Therefore, the school officials do have some hope to help curb the drug, alcohol and tobacco problems.

"I want to assure you (board members) that we have a ways to go, but we are starting a frontal assault on drug use," Ingvarsson said.

Some programs to combat the problem have already been implemented in the schools. The principals and administrators presented some of the programs to the school board.

Grayling High School Principal Judy Gorski said that one of the pro-

grams which is ready to begin is positive peer intervention. As of last week, the high school had 15 students who are state certified to handle peer mediations between fellow students to solve potential problems.

"We all know that students sometimes have a greater impact than we do," Gorski said.

Classroom presentations have been made and will continue to be made by Crawford County Sheriff's deputies, Shawn Kraycs and Dave Vogel. A speaker from the Michigan State Police also will be scheduled to talk about drug and alcohol issues.

Officials at the Grayling Middle School are also ready to start their own positive peer intervention program. Five middle school students have been trained. Their peer mediation sessions can handle such items as problems between students involving name calling, spreading rumors and fighting.

Ingvarsson also reported that an after-school program will be set up at the Grayling Middle School. The program will focus on interest items for students, such as volleyball and boater safety classes.

The elementary schools — Grayling and Frederic — are

involved with the POWER Program. POWER stands for Pride, Order, Work, Enthusiasm and Respect. Clyde Holzbauer, who runs the POWER Program, said, "We feel it is more likely that if students follow these items then they are less likely to become addicted (to a drug)."

The board members were very concerned with the results of the survey, and they talked about setting up a community committee to look at solutions and holding a board workshop on the issue.

"Last meeting we received some disappointing MEAP scores," said school board member Jim Tobin, "but this is by far more disconcerting."

Schools call on community for help in battle against drugs

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Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Kent Reynolds said at the school board meeting, and he reiterated it later in the week, that community involvement would be the only way to solve the use of various drugs by area children.

"It can only be solved with full community involvement," Reynolds told the school board members.

The school and community would have to work together to get these above-the-national-average drug use numbers down for local students. According to Reynolds, there are three areas where school and community officials need to focus their attention.

One item is to increase school programs. These programs, which would feature discussion on use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco, include the Drug Area Resistance Education (DARE) program, peer mediation and a series of speakers to reinforce the information.

Another area to focus attention is educational instruction or curriculum. Reynolds said that the health education curriculum is one of the areas that is being re-established. Every student would need to take this health education course, featuring issues of drug abuse.

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Lifetime Use of Various Drugs

Entries are percent of Crawford AuSable Schools students using the drug in lifetime

	Grade 8	Grade 10	Grade 12	National Grade 12
Number of Cases	(141)	(112)	(89)	(15,400)
Any Illicit Drug Use	58.6	53.6	71.9	48.4
Any Illicit Drug Use Other than Marijuana	47.1	34.8	44.9	28.1
Marijuana	42.1	49.1	67.4	41.7
Crack Cocaine	8.6	4.5	4.5	3.0
Other Cocaine	8.0	3.6	9.1	5.1
Hallucinogens (LSD, PCP)	17.4	9.8	21.6	12.7
Inhalants	55.1	32.4	23.6	17.4
Heroin	7.2	2.8	4.5	1.6
Tranquilizers	11.4	11.6	13.5	7.1
Sedatives (Barbiturates)	21.4	19.6	13.6	7.6
Stimulants (Amphetamine)	35.0	22.3	28.4	15.3
Narcotics (not Heroin)	16.7	17.1	16.9	7.2
Alcohol	78.9	73.4	88.4	80.7
Cigarettes	72.7	68.5	74.2	64.2
Smokeless Tobacco	42.0	40.5	51.7	30.9
Steroids	5.8	0.9	1.1	2.3

*Survey was given to Crawford AuSable Schools students in 1997. The national grade 12 results come from results based on survey conducted in Spring 1995.



SNOW BOWL 1997 -- The district soccer game between Grayling and Roscommon was played in a snow storm. That did not stop the action from being intense. Pictured, Jeremy Millikin attempts to kick the ball away from the opposition by using a slide tackle. Jon Haskel (6) gets ready in the midfield area.

Photo by Eric Gaertner

Crew puts finishing touches on Crawford Habitat house

Melody Barrett and her children, Justin and Jessica, will have much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving holiday, as construction crews work steadily to meet the November deadline for completion of Crawford County's first Habitat for Humanity home.

Volunteer Tom Brady completed mudding and sanding the drywall on Thursday, Oct. 23, while Charles Dugas, Richard Sobieralski, Dave Wyman and his son Ron finished putting on the vinyl siding. Scott McClain and his crew then primed the walls, followed by a crew of Habitat volunteers who painted the interior on Saturday, Oct. 25.

Crews have been on site each weekend day for the past several weeks to finish up the various projects, so that vinyl floor covering, carpeting, cabinets, fixtures and appliances can be installed in a timely manner.

"We are working diligently, so our Habitat family will be moved into their new home by Thanksgiving," said Naomi Holysko, Crawford County Habitat for Humanity president. "The symbolism of this national holiday seemed appropriate to turn over the keys to the family and let them give thanks to God for all who made this home a reality."

Barrett admits she is getting very anxious and a little scared.

"The thought of owning my own home is a bit overwhelming," Barrett

said. "I guess I'd better start packing, because it's going to happen."

As a Habitat for Humanity homeowner, Barrett will pay monthly on a no-interest mortgage, including taxes and insurance. She is also required to put in a total of 250 "sweat equity hours" on her house and other Habitat projects.

Barrett visits the site almost daily; sweeping, making phone calls to volunteers and coordinating their work schedules. She has also learned some basic skills from the builders, such as mudding nails and sanding seams. Landscaping will be postponed until

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Two Grayling teens share experiences of Youth Summer Camp in Latvia



Latvian United Methodist young people reached out to their Baltic State and Scandinavian neighbors, as well as the United States and Canada, last July when they hosted the First International Youth Summer Camp.

Approximately 60 teenagers traveled to Latvia for the 10-day camp, including two from Grayling. Each of the students who attended the camp was responding to the theme "Let's Get Connected."

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church and the community of Grayling supported Sarah Carmean and Ryan Gaffke who participated in the July event.

The camp was held in Cesis, Latvia, which is located approximately 30 kilometers northeast of Riga. Ryan and Sarah departed from Detroit Metropolitan Airport on July 10 and returned on July 22.

Sarah, 15, a sophomore at Grayling High School, is the daughter of Jim and Donna Carmean of Grayling. Ryan, 16, son of Tom and Janet Gaffke, also lives in Grayling. He is a junior at Grayling High School.

Ryan and Sarah recently shared their travel experiences during a meeting of the United Methodist Women, which was opened to all Michelson Church members. Approximately 40 people enjoyed a slide and photograph program, relating the teenagers' camp and travel experiences.

The Latvian Methodists planned the youth camp as a celebration to mark the five-year anniversary of their freedom to worship, following the end of Soviet occupation. In 1948, the Latvian Methodist Church was declared to be U.S. inspired and was abolished. Today, the United Methodist Church has eight congregations in Latvia, several hundred members and dozens of Sunday school students. Seven of the eight congregations are Latvian language and one is Russian language.

The camp that Ryan and Sarah attended was held in a three-story, boarding school for asthmatic children in Cesis, a city of 80,000 people. The schedule included physical activities, tours of the cities of Riga and Cesis, craft projects, horse back riding, a visit to a sculptor's studio, a trip to the beach and worship services.

An afternoon program called "USA Day" allowed the campers to ask questions of each other to learn about their respective countries and cultures. Ryan was able to take his alto saxophone and played each day as a part of the camp programs and services.

Sarah celebrated her birthday while in Latvia. She reported that she received many gifts of flowers from her new European friends.

Sarah and Ryan will be presenting programs for the Rotary Club and Kiwanis Club during the next few weeks. They are also available to share their experience with other community groups in appreciation for the support they received for their trip from the community of Grayling.

TRIP TO LATVIA -- Ryan Gaffke, left, and Sarah Carmean, right, shared their Latvian Summer Youth Camp experiences with the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Women during a recent meeting.

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There will be a community blood drive at Grayling High School, Wednesday, Nov. 5, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

All community donors will be given preference over students.

There also will be a blood drive at Frederic Elementary School on Thursday, Nov. 6, noon to 5:45 p.m.

Both drives are sponsored by the American Red Cross.

Donors must be 17-years old and weigh 110 pounds. All senior citizens are welcome.

Results of the September blood drive: First-time donors: Tammy Blair, James Gardner, Richard Anderson and Sharon Johnson.

Gallon donors were: one gallon - Jennifer Gall, Charles Blakeman; two gallons - Carlotta Losano, Christine Messerschmidt and Sherry Harney; four gallons - Thomas Lamic; and nine gallons - Kirtland Kitchen.



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Juvenile officers stay busy doing important work

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Crawford County Sheriff Deputy Dave Vogel said at a recent Crawford County School Board of Education meeting that the work that he does is the most important work he could be doing in law enforcement, as far as he was concerned.

The work he does involves working with students and youngsters at the various schools and through the court system.

Vogel and Deputy Shawn Kraycs handle juvenile issues for the Crawford County Sheriff's Office. The two deputies believe they are helping to make a difference in young people's lives.

Since March of 1997, a grant received by Sheriff Dave Vogel, to join Vogel in the handling of juvenile issues at school and outside of school. The school district and Crawford County also contributed funds for the second juvenile officer.

According to Vogel, the need for the second juvenile officer has been there for a while, but it took a while to get the funding for the position verified.

The start of the juvenile officer program at the sheriff's office began

in 1991, when there was one part-time officer. In 1993, the officer was pumped up to full-time status, handling only juvenile issues. The deputy was to work through the probate court.

Vogel said that in 1994 the officials realized that a second officer was needed. In March of this year, that need was filled. Kraycs joined Vogel, and now there is one of these officers on during the morning and afternoon shifts.

The two deputies share most of the juvenile responsibilities, but they each have a specific focus for their job. Vogel works directly through the court system and through the sheriff's office. Kraycs works primarily on the Juvenile Violence Prevention grant, which focuses on school issues.

The new position has definitely filled a gap with the school, Kraycs said. The work with the students at the various schools in the district was needed. The principals and Superintendent Kent Reynolds have supported the deputies and the program, Vogel added. The two work closely with the school administrators with problems they can't handle.

When incidents happen, such as fighting or other items within the

schools, Kraycs can be called in to attempt to solve the problem from happening again or becoming worse. The deputy uses such items as discussions with the student or students, disciplinary action or resolutions and contracts with students.

Kraycs and Vogel are not only involved with the students on an after-the-fact basis. They both pointed out that the juvenile violence prevention program is focused on proactive issues. "We try to work with kids before they get involved in problem situations," Kraycs said. "This program is based on prevention education."

Some of the proactive measures in place include classes at the schools put on by the two deputies, information packets and sessions for parents. Kraycs said classes have been given at Grayling High School on laws involving minors to keep students informed. Information also has been made available for parents on issues including marijuana and drug abuse, and gangs. After-school programs at the Grayling Middle School will be established again for this school year. The programs will feature items, such as boaters' safety and hunters' safety issues.

Undersheriff Kirk Wakefield said the two deputies will be giving more classes for parents and students.

The two officers are seeing an improved atmosphere among juveniles in Crawford County.

It is hard to study the affect of the juvenile violence prevention program statistically, but the officers are seeing improvement, Vogel said. There are things that were not being reported before, that are now being reported and handled.

The presence of the two deputies in the schools also has helped. Just being there has resulted in nothing really bad happening, because of the presence factor.

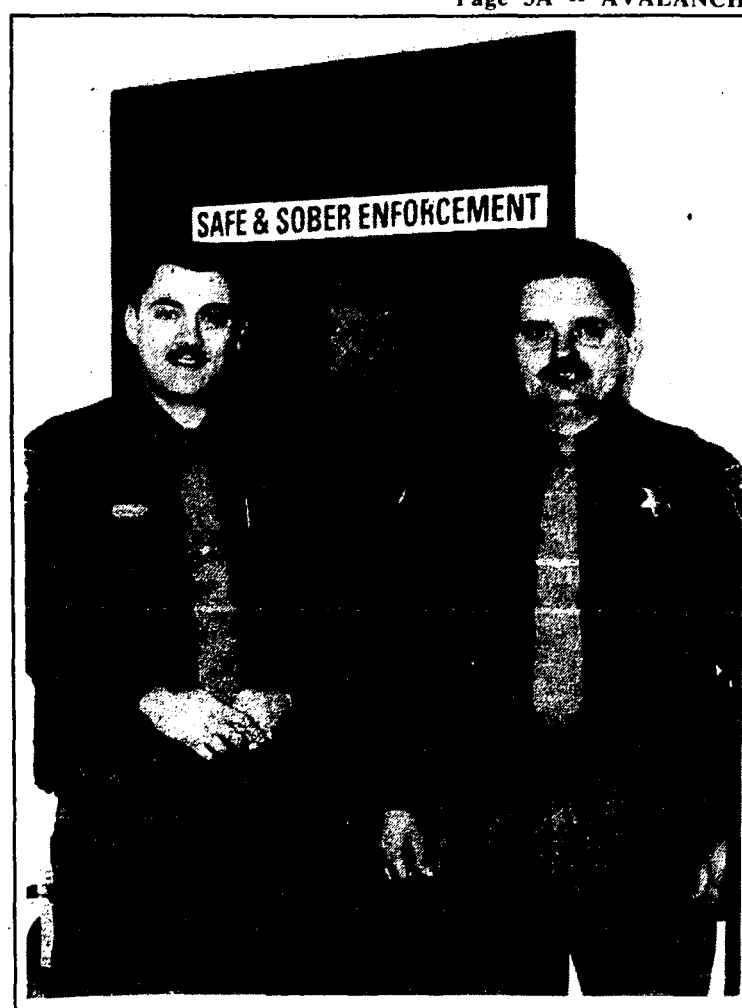
"We want to continue to promote a safe and secure place for learning," Kraycs said.

The presence has also resulted in communication between the deputies and the students.

"First, they were a little hesitant of talking with us," Vogel said. "Law enforcement is all about stopping before something happened if possible, and that starts with communication."

Vogel also focuses his attention on tracking down truants, which are students who do not go to school. The deputy tracks down the truants and finds out why they are not going to school. He tries to resolve the problem, but if he can't then court action is taken.

"Prior to court action, we try to



JUVENILE JURISDICTION -- These two Crawford County Sheriff's deputies have been handling juvenile issues, in and out of school. The two juvenile officers are Shawn Kraycs, left, and Dave Vogel.

work with the student and parents and establish goals to get the student to go to school," Vogel said.

Kraycs and Vogel pointed out that they really try to go after the adults who are involved in juvenile crime, such as supply alcohol to minors.

"We really try to hammer them," Vogel said. "We try to get them in front of a judge as soon as possible. These adults are not setting a good example for the children."

Polls open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday for city election

Polls for the general city election will be open on Tuesday, Nov. 4 to allow City of Grayling residents to vote to fill two city council seats.

Registered voters who live in the Grayling city limits will have the opportunity to vote for not more than two candidates for the two, four-year terms. The polls at Grayling City Hall, 103 James Street, will open at 7 a.m. on Tuesday and remain open until 8 p.m.

City residents will have four candidates to choose from, when they reach the polling booth. D.J. Brown, Jerry W. Hayes, Roger A. Moshier and Marilyn Palmer all filed nominating petitions for the two open positions.

Brown is a vocal music teacher for Grayling Elementary School and Frederic Elementary School. Hayes is a teacher in the Crawford County School District. Moshier, who is currently finishing up his first four-year term on the Grayling City Council, is employed as an automobile repair technician. Palmer is the owner/operator of the Iron Gate Restaurant in Grayling.

The top two vote getters will join Mayor Robert Goinick, Mayor Protem Ralph Stevens and Robert Ruddy to make up the five members of the city council.

Middle School play on stage this weekend

The Grayling Middle School Play will be held at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium on Saturday, Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 2, at 2 p.m. The price for children and senior citizens is \$1.50; adults, \$3; and family, \$8.

The Grayling Middle School Play this year is "The Law Of The Foot," an adaptation from "Catherine Gourley The Legend of King Arthur."

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The governess will be portrayed by Anneliese Finke; Arthur, Eric Hunter; Sir Bruce, Jessie Mooneyham; Morgan, Rachael Ramaswamy; Sir Cay, Charley McNamara; Sir Hector, Sam Cross; King Pendragon, Jason Glicker; and Nun, Laura Gorski. These are just a few of the 40 cast members in this year's production.

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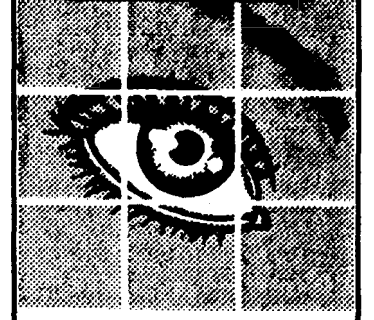
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Richard Milliman

Public pay continues spiral

THE BACK DOOR on Capitol Hill in Washington swung open the other day, and a pay raise for U.S. Congress and Senate members came tumbling out.

The raise for the lawmakers was only a modest \$3,072 a year, or 2.3 percent, bringing congressional pay to \$136,673 a year.

The surprising thing was there was scant public outcry about the pay hike.

Of course, the whole deal was kept secret until the last minute, which may have been one reason for the relative silence.

Then the approval was indirect -- meaning, if the House and Senate did not disapprove, then the raise would go into effect.

Members did not say no, so the answer was yes.

THE PAY boost was part of a \$26 billion bill to fund the Treasury Department and other agencies, and did not even mention a pay raise for Congress.

In 1989, Congress passed a law that its members are entitled to an annual cost-of-living adjustment a smidgeon lower than the president's

recommended raise for federal employees. That came out to 2.3 percent this year.

In most recent years, Congress has opted out of this almost automatic pay raise. Not so this year.

Votes were close -- 55-45 in the Senate, 220-207 in the House -- but the cost-of-living hike carried, and the Treasury Department will continue to be funded.

The \$136,600 puts the 435 representatives and 100 senators in the top one percent income bracket in the United States, which is not a bad neighborhood in which to reside.

WHONO huge public outcry? Why no petition drives? Why no cries for recall of money-hungry politicians?

For one thing, the country's economy continues to be good, and most folks are pretty well off.

Perhaps the level of other public payrolls is leaving the public numbed to nibbles and pinches at the public treasury.

It's not uncommon for local school superintendents in medium to large district to top \$100,000 in pay and perks.

The average pay of teachers in Michigan is more than \$50,000.

What public entertainers and sports figures are paid is simply incomprehensible.

In many fields, university seniors take for granted they will begin their real world work experience at \$35-40,000 or more a year.

Michigan's state leaders are among the highest paid in the nation.

Gov. John Engler, for example, at \$124,000 a year is second in pay only to the New York governor.

Michigan's attorney general and secretary of state each is paid \$112,000 a year, and the lieutenant governor -- whose only constitutional duties are to preside over the state senate and vote in case of a tie -- is paid \$87,000 for essentially a part-time job.

All are in the upper echelons of paydom for comparable roles.

With these realities, what's another \$3,000 for members of the House and Senate?

Of course, \$136,000 a year is far less than most of the people who vote for them will be paid ... but that's another story.

IT'S EASY to understand why anyone in public office prefers any way other than a direct vote to set their own pay levels.

Congress had found a back door with the 1989 law pick up a COLA raise without directly confronting the question. That's too bad.

Michigan's state system is even worse.

The State Officers Compensation Commission is a group of outsiders, appointed by politicians, to decide how much the governor, lieutenant governor, supreme court justices and legislators should be paid.

Their decisions become final -- unless turned down by legislature.

That's just backwards from what the process should be.

Many cities and other local jurisdictions have followed the state lead with their own local commissions. That's backwards, too.

Elected public officials should have the courage to stand up in the open, explain their reasons, and make their decisions in public and on the record, rather than using the convenient back door of action by inaction.

People pulled together to make bike-a-thon success

To the Editor,

I was asked by St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. to plan and coordinate a bike-a-thon in our town as part of their annual fund-raising campaign. The event was held on Oct. 4. I have never done anything of this sort before, and I must admit it consumed a very large part of my waking hours the month before it was held. It really didn't help matters when we were hit by a sudden and swift thunderstorm an hour before the bike-a-thon was supposed to start. But the event was held, even if the details I had so carefully planned for did not all get carried out.

Approximately 70 students came to ride their bikes for the kids at St. Jude who can't ride their bikes right now, but hope to be able to someday. Our kids rode around and around their school in cloudy, drizzly, but thankfully warm weather for three hours. They had a good time, got some great exercise, and best of all managed to raise over \$6,000 for a most worthy cause. I applaud each one of them. The parents also helped their children collect all that money in pledges within two short weeks.

This bike-a-thon was truly a

community effort. I had three key volunteers: Patty Hawkins, Terri Chott and Jackie Riddle, and many parents who pitched in and helped keep things running smoothly. Many, many area businesses, too numerous to list here, pitched in money for grand prizes, and donated snacks and gift certificates to make the event even more fun. I got lots of help and advice from Dick Fultz at the Bicycle Shop. My whole family, including my husband, daughters, and even my parents helped out in many ways. The Superintendent and Grayling Elementary School Principal gave us permission to use the school grounds as our route, and loaned us tables, chairs, trash bins and water containers. Howard Hatfield came through for me, as he always does when I ask him for a special favor, involving the route signs.

In short, this event was an enormous success because lots of adults and kids in this town cared to make it such. And I thought everyone should know. I know St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is impressed with, and grateful to, the little northern Michigan town of Grayling.

Mary Smock
Grayling

Resident helps out motorists

To the editor,

This letter is directed to Tim Murphy and his help. He works at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

I just recently moved up here to Higgins Lake.

On my way home from work (I work at the theater in Gaylord) on Saturday, Oct. 4 at around midnight, my car broke down with a flat tire on I-75, just outside the Grayling entrance/exit ramp at the loop.

No one would stop, of course, and I tried waiting for a trooper, to no avail. I've never changed a tire before, so after about a half hour of waiting I proceeded to change it myself.

Scared and upset, not knowing if I

was doing everything right, a car pulled over. It was Tim. He helped me finish and make sure the lug nuts were tight. Even when I locked my keys in the trunk, yes, I did. What do you want. I was upset and scared. He, by some miracle, opened my trunk.

But you see he didn't stop there, he then followed me down I-75, until he came to his exit, just to make sure it drove okay.

Then he waved good-bye.

I just want everyone to know that they have this man working at their hospital and how wonderful and caring he is.

Darlene Cantrell,
Roscommon

Michigan Senate begins to broadcast its floor sessions on government TV

by Joseph Steele
Capital News Service

If you want to be a regular on television, run for the Michigan Senate.

The Senate began regular television broadcasts of floor action on Oct. 14, as part of Michigan Government Television (MGTV). MGTV began broadcasting last year, showing state Supreme Court oral arguments and city council meetings, but delayed airing state legislative sessions until now.

"It's just one more step in an effort to open up government to the people who sent us here," said Senate Majority Leader Dick Posthumus (R-Alto).

Live broadcasting from the Senate floor draws mixed reviews from some lawmakers.

"I think it's exciting," said Sen. Joe Young Jr. (D-Detroit). "It's letting people know what is taking place."

Other legislators, though, aren't so enthused.

"People don't want to see politicians posturing for political purposes," Sen. Phillip Hoffman (R-Horton) said.

Hoffman said many senators now speak up just because the cameras are rolling.

"Guys that haven't talked since before summer recess are standing up in front of the TV," Hoffman said. "I hope it wears off, just like Michigan's warm weather did."

Young said the problem isn't senators posturing in front of the camera, but that Republicans are afraid the Democrats' minority views will be heard.

"I think it will be worthwhile," Young said. "We will see who is going to put their foot in their mouth."

"There was maybe a little more posturing," Sen. Dianne Barnum (D-Onondaga) said. "But it absolutely has public benefit. The people will be a little more connected with what's going on at the Capitol."

Another worry is that the increase in speakers during televised debate will affect the legislative pace.

"I fear it would slow the process down," Hoffman said.

MGTV officials hope to begin live broadcasting from the House later this month. The House is finalizing broadcast rules and fixing broadcast problems.

"The House deserves what we've got," said Hoffman. "But, if they're smart, they won't."

Most of the large cable systems in the state are carrying MGTV. Those that are not showing MGTV are mainly in the northern and western areas of the state.

MGTV will cover state government from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on weekdays. But Hoffman said most of his constituents won't be able to watch the broadcasts anyway.

"At 10 in the morning, my constituents are working," Hoffman said.

Hoffman also said the process of law making can be messy to watch.

"It's a lot like making sausage," Hoffman said. "The process is ugly, but it's the end product that people want."

Teens Against Tobacco Use begin battle to stop kids from smoking

Each day 3,000 kids begin to smoke and eventually 1,000 of those children will die from a smoking-related disease. For children to learn about not smoking, the American Lung Association of Michigan (ALAM) provides Teens Against Tobacco Use (TATU).

TATU is the 1997 edition of the Smoke-Free Class of 2000, and will be implemented over the next four years. The program teaches teens to "talk back." TATU motivates young people ages 14-17 years old to teach 9-12 year-old children to avoid tobacco. Because kids listen to kids, this peer education is very effective.

"We feel really good about this program. The trend seems to be kids teaching kids; and that's exactly what this program does, and the kids are listening. It's great to watch new generations turn tobacco down," said Molly Brennan, spokesperson for ALAM.

The peer educators benefit by becoming leaders, developing presentation skills and reinforcing their decision not to use tobacco. The younger children benefit by seeing positive role models tell the truth about tobacco.

Michigan Education Special Services Association (MESSA) has been a loyal partner providing support over a 10-year period to support the youth tobacco prevention program.

There is a training for TATU facilitators in Gaylord on Oct. 21 and another in Lansing on Oct. 28. If you would like to become involved in TATU or receive more information about this or any other smoking-prevention program, call the American Lung Association of Michigan at (800) LUNG-USA.

The TATU program is a partnership with the American Lung Association of Michigan, the American Heart Association - Michigan Affiliate and the American Cancer Society.

Review of state road construction has started

State Transportation Director James R. DeSana is working for Michigan motorists by spearheading efforts designed to reduce the time construction zones are in effect and to minimize motorist delays.

"People shouldn't have to wait in long traffic back-ups at a construction zone and see no work being done, because the contractor has temporarily pulled off the job. In addition, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has the responsibility of balancing road repair needs with the need for people to get to their destination in a timely manner," said DeSana.

During the 1997 construction season over 450 new projects totaling more than 1,000 miles of road were underway by MDOT. Many motorists felt the impact of the increased road and bridge work in the form of traffic delays. Among the most aggravating to motorists were the delays experienced when trying to reach northern locations for weekend rest and relaxation.

Typically, it is believed keeping a road open to traffic with a reduced number of lanes is more convenient for customers, when in fact for some major projects actually closing the road is more customer friendly as delays

and inconveniences may be to a greater degree but, for a shorter period of time (i.e. 1-275) DeSana is calling for a review of MDOT procedures that result in weekend traffic delays.

Road and bridge improvement projects on the state system are performed by the private sector through a competitive bid process and supervised by MDOT. Contractors are given an allotment of days in which to complete a given project based on the type of work being done. Over the last four years, great strides have been made to reduce the time it takes to get a given stretch of roadway open to traffic, including the use of incentives and tighter supervision. As a result, many projects are being opened ahead of schedule.

The director is considering options resulting in even further reductions in the amount of time contractors have to perform road repairs, including a requirement, within current contractual guidelines, that contractors must notify MDOT prior to pulling off a job and give justifiable cause to pull off before the project is complete.

DeSana's review of these procedures is expected to have improved results when the 1998 construction season kicks into full swing next summer.

Road Commission presents its report to the community

To the editor,

The Road Commission 1997 Report to the citizens, found in this issue of The Avalanche, as a special insert, is for all of your readers and each member of our community. Once every two years such a report is issued to provide information to the public about the work we do as a public agency.

This letter is written to call attention to this year's report and to encourage

each Avalanche subscriber to read and keep this report. Also to recognize The Avalanche staff and other businesses for their work and contribution in making the current report to the citizens to all who are interested.

James Briney,
Managing Director of
The Road Commission
For Crawford County

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Community news items submitted to the Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue.

Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue. Please use every other line.

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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Conference on drug issues planned

Young people today have great pressures to use alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, and other drugs. To raise healthy children, parents must help them see that these substances are dangerous, unhealthy, and unacceptable.

Every family has its own culture, style, and beliefs, used to reach the goal of developing their children into capable people. Drug problems interfere with this goal. Substance abuse prevention is an issue parents need to address.

In order for parents and other caregivers to become more knowledgeable regarding this particular facet of parenting, the Grayling Middle School Parent Involvement Team is sponsoring, "My Children Wouldn't Do Drugs. Or Would They?" Why "Just Say No" Is Not Enough!" The seminar will be held at the middle school on Monday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m.

An overview of protective and resiliency factors necessary to help prevent drug use and abuse at a non

adult level will be presented. The featured speaker will be Sandra Shellfish, B.A., C.P.S., State Certified Prevention specialist and Substance Abuse Prevention coordinator for New Life Community Service in Grayling. Free resource material on alcohol, marijuana, inhalants and other drugs, along with parenting for prevention information will be available to take home.

"No community is completely 'safe' from any drug. That is why parents must be informed, aware, and willing to act to raise children who make safe healthy choices," according to the Michigan Parent Handbook.



by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

FOOT NOTES



Arch enemy of back pain

Do your feet hurt during the day, even when you're wearing comfortable shoes? Do your feet and legs tire quickly when walking or standing? Do you frequently experience pain in the lower back if you have to spend any time at all on your feet? A "yes" answer to any of the above could be a sign of the foot's weakening longitudinal arches—or "fallen arches." Causes of this condition may include constant standing, ill-fitting shoes, and/or obesity, which all have the effect of battering the ligaments that hold the foot together. When the ligaments break down, the arches can give way, and the resulting imbalance can translate into tension in the lower back.

To determine the best treatment for fallen arches (as well as other foot con-

ditions), a podiatrist will examine the foot, perform a gait analysis, and look at the patient's medical history, past medical problems, length and frequency of symptoms, types of current activities, and pain and problems in other parts of the body. We offer comprehensive care for all foot problems here at GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C., 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City, for feet of all shapes, sizes and ages. Ph: 922-9100 & 800-968-7440. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

P.S. Treatment options for fallen arches include prescription orthotics (footwear inserts) and certain foot exercises.

Association to hold meeting

The regular meeting of North Central Area Chapter Number 19, State Employee Retirees Association, will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 4, at the Houghton Lake Community Building, beginning at 2 p.m.

Boy Scouts postpone food drive

The annual Boy Scout Food Drive will not be held until spring of 1998. If you wish to donate to the Christian Help Center directly, it will be welcome. Call 348-6046 for information.

Christmas Bazaar set for Nov. 7

St. Mary's Annual Christmas Bazaar, put on by the Council of Catholic Women, will be held at the Family Center on Spruce Street in Grayling on Friday, Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Kid's Korner only on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It features a bake sale, arts and crafts, white elephant, silent auction, Kid's Korner and cash raffle. A luncheon will be served on Friday, Nov. 7 from 11 to 2 p.m. at a charge of \$4.50.

Citrus fruit available monthly

Fresh-picked citrus is available monthly this winter from Grayling SDA School at Camp AuSable. This month's selections are navel oranges and grapefruit. To order, call 348-5826 or 348-4845 by Nov. 6. Fruit will arrive on Nov. 17.

Gardening group formed

A group of local residents who share a love of flowers, gardening and landscaping have formed a club called "Beyond the Garden Wall." The group meets monthly on the first Thursday of each month in the basement of the county courthouse at 7 p.m. The group also has an interesting speaker for each meeting. In November the speaker will be Terry Hoyt from the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan.

GHS senior photos needed

Senior pictures must be turned into the Grayling High School 1998 SAGA yearbook by Friday, Oct. 31 -- Halloween. In order for the yearbook staff to meet its full-color deadline, the senior section editors need two wallet-size, vertical, head-and-shoulders pose, plain background color pictures from each member of the Class of 1998. Photos can be dropped off in Room 13 at the high school.

Girl Scouts kick off campaign

The Crawford County Girl Scouts will be kicking off their cookie sale on Saturday, Nov. 1 at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Girls will be picking up their order forms at the church from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Nov. 1. The sales will run from Nov. 1 to Nov. 17.

Halleluyah Party set for Friday

The Burning Bush Tabernacle at 501 East Michigan in Grayling will present a Halleluyah Party on Friday, Oct. 31 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. This party is offered to the children of the community as an alternative to traditional Halloween trick-or-treating. There will be games, prizes, candy and food for all the children who attend. Costumes are welcome, but ghosts, witches, demons and skeletons are discouraged. Any questions can be answered by calling 348-1278 or 348-8314.

Holiday bake sale to be held

A Halloween bake sale will be held on Friday, Oct. 31 at the Frederic Elementary School from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. The proceeds will support the Frederic Community Library.

LACA meeting planned

A Lovells Anti-Crime Association (LACA) meeting is set for Nov. 1, beginning at noon at the Lovells Township Hall. The guest speaker will be Chuck Wheeler, the current president of the AuSable North Branch Area Association.

NARFE to meet soon

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) members of the local chapter will meet on Thursday, Nov. 6 at the Iron Gate Restaurant in Grayling. Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. with the business meeting starting at approximately 12:15 p.m.

Health Fair results successful

Over 600 persons took advantage of health screenings, wellness and education sessions during Mercy Health Fair '97 held on Oct. 18 at Mercy Hospital.

Flu shots were the most popular offering, with 150 vaccines given by the Occupational Health staff. Laboratory technicians stayed busy as well, testing 142 individuals for cholesterol, triglyceride and HDL levels. There were 133 finger pokes during the diabetes screening, and over 60 persons had their hearing checked by the Munson Ear Lab.

Mercy Hospital staff, Auxiliary volunteers and health care providers participated in Health Fair '97. The annual event is held every October at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

Real estate associate attends retreat

Debbie Bondar, of Century 21 River Country in Grayling, recently attended the 1997 Masters Club Retreat coordinated by the Century 21 Midwest Division.

The exclusive event was held at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville, Tenn. from Oct. 15-17. Top producing sales associates throughout the Midwest united under one roof to network with peers and share ideas across regions.

The Masters Club Retreat offers sales associates the chance to learn new techniques in the real estate industry, fostering their ability to achieve professional success and personal growth. To participate in this Retreat, a sales associate must be at the Emerald Level in the Century 21 Masters Club, or as Bondar, a "Centurion."

Bondar began her career in real estate sales in late 1991. Her career took off immediately and has climbed steadily every year. Bondar holds many awards and recognitions from Top Listing Agent to many years as the Top Producing Agent in the office.



Debbie Bondar



Health Matters At Mercy Hospital

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•SAT REGISTRATION DEADLINE for December 6 test
•GBB vs. Roscommon, home, 6 pm.
•FRESH GBB vs. Standish-Sterling, home, 6:15 pm.
•JV FB vs. Saginaw Valley Lutheran, away, 6:30 pm.
•TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Mary Kay, 348-1398.

FRI
31

•VAR FB "PARENT'S NIGHT" vs. Saginaw Valley Lutheran, home, 7:30 pm.
•HALLOWEEN.
•END OF NINE-WEEK marking period.
•AP/GE Halloween parade, 1 pm.
•FE Halloween parade, 2 pm.

NOVEMBER 1997

SAT
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•SAT test date.
•MS FALL PLAY @ HS auditorium, 7:30 pm.
•VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Habitat for Humanity, 8 am to 5 pm. Call Barb @ 348-1132, for information.
•ALL SAINTS DAY.

SUN
2

•ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
•MS FALL PLAY matinee @ HS auditorium, 2 pm.
•NATIONAL CHEMISTRY WEEK.

MON
3

•AP/GE PARENTS GROUP meeting @ AuSable Primary, 6:30 pm.
•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon.
•PARENTING WORKSHOP "Communicating With Your Teenager" (How to listen and understand one another) @ New Life Community Service, 7-8:30 pm.
•FRESH GBB vs. Valley Lutheran, home, 6:15 pm.

TUES
4

•GBB vs. Bay City John Glenn, home, 6:15 pm.
•GPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon.
•AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON joint meeting @ Mio AuSable Restaurant, 7 pm.
•ADHD PARENTS' SUPPORT GROUP meeting @ 615 S. Elm, Gaylord, 7 pm. Call (517) 732-3529 for more information.

WED
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•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon
•WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm, meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306.
•LIONS CLUB meeting @ Breaker's Steak House, 6:30 pm.
•PARENTING WORKSHOP "Communicating With Your Young Child" (Building trust and respect in the family) @ New Life Community Service, 10-11:30 am.
•RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE @ Grayling High School, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm.
•MS GBB vs. Lincoln-Alcona, 7th/8th away.
•FRESH GBB vs. Lincoln-Alcona, home, 6:15 pm.

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From the Calvary Baptist Church

Authority

Because we live in an age which rejects all absolutes, we observe a constant challenge to authority. Liberals have declared God is dead, the Bible is myth, truth is relative, ethics are situational, and social engineers are the masters of all human hope. But God has exposed their sin in Romans 1:22-23: "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, (23) And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four footed beasts, and creeping things."

Since the 60s there have been growing attacks upon all established economic, civic, social, and religious institutions within our western culture. Our moral foundation of civilization is eroding away. Man has become his own source of authority. As our forefathers declared their independence from England, they

cried, "No King but Jesus!" Today in America, self has replaced Jesus as king. We have become like the Jews of Judges 17:6: "In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

Jesus Christ prayed that His disciples would be sanctified or set apart through God's Word or truth. (John 17:17) "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." Will we be enlightened by divine revelation, or blinded by self-deceit? (Proverbs 12:15) "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes; but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise." Oh, that our human elite would see their fallen condition and repent of their sins. (Jeremiah 8:9) "The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in them?"

Who is the final authority in your

life today? (Philippians 2:9-11) "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: (10) That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; (11) And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (John 1:12) "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:" Jesus Christ is final authority. Worship Him as your Savior and God today.

Pastor "B" Visit our website: <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

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Suggestions offered for a safe Halloween season

Sheriff offers tips to make holiday safe

The children's day is almost here. The costumes are ready, and the children of Crawford County are ready to haunt the streets.

Crawford County Sheriff David Lovely would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and children to have safe fun and use proper precautions.

"It's really a matter of common sense," Lovely said. "There are things you need to watch for when your kids go trick or treating."

The sheriff offers these tips to

make each child's Halloween a safe and fun one:

Young children should be escorted by an adult, and should go out before dark;

Costumes should not be too restrictive, masks that cover the entire face and restrict vision should not be used;

When designing or purchasing a costume, use reflective or light-colored materials;

Older children should still be supervised by an adult, but if that is not possible, a time limit should be set and stuck to; and

Never let children go into an unfamiliar neighborhood alone.

More tips from the sheriff include: Encourage children not to eat their treats while trick or treating, wait until they bring them home so the goodies can be inspected;

Discard any unwrapped candy or anything that looks as if it may have

been tempered with; and

If something appears to be in question, bring the child's goodies to Grayling Mercy Hospital between the hours of 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Halloween night, so it can be examined and x-rayed.

"We hear reports from around the state of children either finding foreign objects in their candy, or of kids being approached by strangers," Lovely said.

"Although these incidents occur less frequently than before, we can make sure that they don't happen in our community by using the precautionary methods outlined here," the sheriff added.

Lovely has another suggestion.

"Why not bring your child to Hanson Hills from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. for the community Halloween party. They'll have a great time and you'll be secure in knowing they're safe."

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Worship in your local church or synagogue each week and learn of God's power in your life; take the time to meditate upon our Creator in His world. Go for a quiet walk for a quiet talk with God.



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Thursday Amos 5:1-27
Friday Obadiah 1:21
Saturday Nahum 1:1-15

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Pastor J. Douglas Paterson
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(temporarily held at AuSable Primary)
Sunday Worship... 10 am
Sunday School... 11:15 am
Coffee Fellowship... 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.)... 10 am

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service... 9:30 am
Sabbath School... 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting Tues... 7 pm

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Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
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Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Service & Children's Church... 11 am
Sunday Evening Service... 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting... 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 7 pm
Thursday Discipleship Class... 7 pm

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Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
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Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School... 9:30 am
Morning Worship... 10:30 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children... 7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament... 10 am
Sunday School... 11 am
Primary... 11 am
Priesthood... 12 noon
Relief Society... 12 noon

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Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Wednesday... 7 pm

St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)
Bible School... 9:15 am
Adult Bible Study... 9:15 am
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Pastor Patricia Fowler
North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glenn Rd.
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Church School... 9:45 am
Preaching... 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer... 7 pm

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schaap
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Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 7:30 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
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Saturday Vigil... 5 pm
Sunday Mass... 8 am
Family Mass... 10:30 am
Sunday Family Bible Study/Sharing... 9:30 am
Daily Masses
Wednesday & 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday... 8:30 am
Daily Worship
Sacrament of Reconciliation, one hour prior to Saturday Vigil Mass, or by appt.

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study... 7 pm

Calvary Baptist church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 10:30 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Mid-Week Services
Wednesday... 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.)... 7 pm

Church of Christ
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Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. • 275-4388
Sunday Classes... 10:30 am
Sunday Worship... 11:15 am
Sunday Evening... 6 pm
Wednesday... 7 pm

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Sunday School... 9 am
Sunday Service... 10 am

The Church of Christ with the Eliza Message
Pastor Dean E. Weaver
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Sunday Worship... 10 am & 7 pm
Wed. Prayer Service... 7 pm

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Pastor Lydie Studer
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Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Worship... 11 am & 6:30 pm
Wednesday Evening... 7 pm

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Meeting at Hanson Hills • 348-2557
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Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Wednesday Service... 7 pm

Harvest Time Church of God
Pastor Fred Coates
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska
(616) 258-3448
Sunday School... 10 am
Worship Service... 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer
Wednesday... 7 pm

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Pastor Rev. D. Dean Courney
Sunday School... 10 am
Chapel Service... 11 am
Wednesday Prayer Meeting... 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor
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Sunday School... 10 am
Morning Service... 11 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)... 7 pm

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Sunday Worship... 10:30 am
Tuesday Weekday School... 5 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 9 am
Thursday Women's Bible Study... 9 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Rev. Robert Henley
M-72 West - Office 348-5850
Sunday Holy Eucharist... 8:30 & 10:30 am
Morning Praise... 10:30 am
(the second Sunday of each month)
Adult Sunday School... 9:30 am
Children's Sunday School... 9:30 am
Sunday nursery provided... 10:30 am
Adult Choir Practice (Monday)... 6 pm

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Sunday Morning Worship... 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship... 6 pm
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Unemployment up in Crawford County

Crawford County's unemployment rate went up a little bit last month, while the region continued its downward trend in the percentage of residents who are unemployed.

The county had a total of 275 people who were unemployed in September out of a civilian labor force of 5,400. The 5.2 percent for September's unemployment rate was 0.3 of a percentage point higher than the 4.9 percentage posted in August for the county. The 5.2 rate was lower than the 5.9 unemployment rate in September 1996.

The northern Lower Peninsula's unemployment rate in September was 4.7 percent, which was 0.4 of a percentage point lower than the rate posted in August for the area and 1 percentage point lower than the 5.7 percent rate for September 1996.

Over the month, wage and salary employment declined by 3,150 jobs. The greatest job losses took place in retail trade and private non-professional services as the summer season started to wind down.

Other seasonal reductions took place in food and kindred products with the cherry harvest ending, in professional services (private schools), and in finance, insurance and real estate (property management). Layoffs of summer help at area parks were more than offset by recalls of support staff in local education, giving government a net gain of 2,700 over the month.

Compared with a year ago, wage and salary employment has grown by 5,575 jobs or 3 percentage points. Over the year job growth in retail trade was the greatest with 2,000 new positions posted, which was a gain of 4.4 percent. Private services

had the second highest increase in additional jobs, with employment growing by 1,825 people or 3.9 percent.

Construction continued to improve, with a gain of 650 jobs or 5.5 percent. Gains in both durable and non-durable goods almost com-

pletely offset losses, giving employment in manufacturing an insignificant net increase over the year of 50 jobs or 0.2 of a percentage point. Government jobs were also up slightly over the year, with the majority of growth occurring at the local level.

September's unemployment rate

compares unfavorably with the Michigan rate of 3.6 percent, and equally with the national rate of 4.7 percent.

The highest rate in the northern Lower Peninsula during September was recorded in Wexford County at 9 percent, while the lowest rate was in Leelanau County at 2.4 percent.



STUDENTS MAKE DIFFERENCE -- As part of Make a Difference Day, the students at Grayling High School collected socks for the needy in Crawford County. The plan was to gather brand new warm wintry socks for Crawford County children. The Crawford County Board of Commissioners recently recognized the students work in collecting the socks for the project. The Student Senate (pictured) at GHS was in charge of the collection. The Community Involvement Committee of the Student Senate took the lead in the program. The members of the committee are Chairperson Sara Bassett, Heather Hatfield, Jessica Holzbauer, Arica Wolcott, Jessica Abfalter, Justin Manier and Meghan Meyer. County Clerk Sandra Moore is in charge of the Make a Difference Day project at the county level.

Photo by Eric Gaertner

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week. By the time you realize how short life is, it's too late to apply the brakes.

Happenings at the Center and announcements of things to come: Special announcement concerning flu shots. The Health Department will be giving flu shots, however, you must call for an appointment (348-7800) and bring your card, either Medicare part B or Medicaid, otherwise the cost is \$8.

Center happenings: Pantry Bingo every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. Mystery Trip on Oct. 29 leaving at 10:30 for parts unknown. Nov. 2: Sunday Brunch from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. - Nov. 4: Tuesday afternoon movie, "Wildlife Follies" at 3:30 p.m. - Commodities distributed on Nov. 5, 10 to 11 a.m. at the Free Methodist Church and at the Center after 12:30: "BK" Bingo at 12:30 on Nov. 5 - Casino trip on Nov. 6 and Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m. on Nov. 7. SHARE sign-up on Nov. 10 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. - Dance with Tina on Nov. 11 - Birthday luncheon and White Elephant auction on Nov. 12 at 12:30 - Shopping Etc. leaving at 9:30 a.m. and BPs taken on Nov. 13 - Frederic Satellite and Pantry Bingo, both on Nov. 14 - on Nov. 16 Pancake Brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period Oct. 30 through Nov. 5.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road).

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Road 612, east of Sherman Road, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road). Artillery firing will be conducted.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

Range 17, located south of the main post, north of Carrier Road, east of Range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military) Road.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612 and west of North Stephan Bridge Road will be used for Automatic Weapons firing.

Stop by or give us a call if you have any questions, need help or just for fun. (308 Lawndale- 348-7123 or toll free 1-888-355-4500) Remember, if your life isn't becoming to you...you should be coming to us.

Join us for meals: we serve at noon and 5 p.m. Monday thru Thursday and at noon only on Friday. Vegetable and fruit salad bar on Tuesday; Soup served on Monday and Wednesday and bread, juice and milk offered each meal. Please try to make a reservation if you can by calling 348-7123. Menus are subject to change without notice.

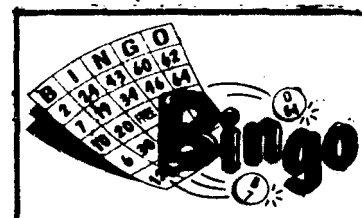
Lunch/Dinner:

October:

29 - Roast Chicken/Stuffed Peppers
30 - Tuna & Noodles/Roast Beef
31 - Meatloaf/ no dinner

November:

3 - Turkey & Dressing/Pork Roast
4 - Salisbury Steak/Baked Chicken
5 - Spanish Rice/ Brown Steak
6 - BBQ Beef/ Porcupine meatballs
7 - Pork Chops/ no dinner



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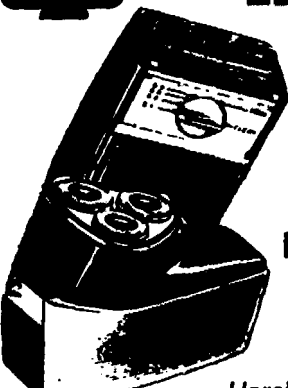
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OBITUARIES

David E. Shires

David E. Shires, 65, of Grayling, died Oct. 22, 1997 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor.

Mr. Shires was born in Detroit on June 1, 1932. He married Frances E. Everett in Ferndale on March 3, 1962. He lived in Grand Ledge for 10 years and spent the last 25 years residing in Grayling.

Mr. Shires worked for General Telephone Electronics as a switch person in Grayling for 25 years. He was a member of Fraternal order of Eagles #3465, Grayling and a member of Moose Lodge #1682, Zephyrhills, Fla.

He is survived by his wife, Frances; sons: David Shires (Marla) of Kalamazoo, William Anderson (Donna) of Macon, Ga.; daughters: Rebecca (Richard) Cwiek of Brighton, Mary (Christopher) Pate of Kalamazoo; mother, Charlotte Beck of Madison Heights; brother Timothy Shires of West Bloomfield and four

grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held Saturday, Oct. 25 at 11:30 a.m. at the Sawyer-Fuller Funeral Home, Berkley, with Rev. Carl Fuhlbrigge officiating. Burial was at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

Dorothy M. Dennison

Dorothy M. Dennison, 67, of Grayling, died Oct. 18, 1997 at Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

Mrs. Dennison was born Oct. 29, 1929 to Reverend Alonza B. and Goldie Mae (Huffman) Shaw.

Mrs. Dennison was formerly employed as a clown performing in carnivals and circuses. She was preceded in death by her parents. She has no known survivors.

No services are planned. An interment of ashes will be in Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

Gerald S. Macfarlane

Gerald S. Macfarlane, 65, of Guntersville, Ala., died on Oct. 19, 1997, after six years of illness.

Mr. Macfarlane was born Aug. 10, 1932. He had moved to Guntersville, Ala. in 1987.

He was the substance abuse counselor for Crawford County from 1974 to 1978. He was active in the Assemblies of God and had many friends in Grayling.

Mr. Macfarlane is survived by his wife, Joanne; two sons, Gerald and Don; daughter, Jennifer Harden; and eight grandchildren.

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MSG Ronald W.L. Pearce

Master Sergeant Ronald W.L. Pearce, 48, of Traverse City, died October 18, 1997, during training at Camp Grayling.

He was born in Detroit to Daryl E. and Betty (Clark) Pearce on August 18, 1949.

MSG Pearce has been part of the Full Time Support Force (FTSF) since June 1983 with his most current assignment as the Chief Supply Sergeant of Camp Grayling. Prior to working at Camp Grayling, he was employed with the Roscommon Herald and the Black & White Meat Market. He joined the U.S. Army in 1969 and joined the Michigan Army National Guard in January 1981. MSG Pearce served in the 1438th Engineer Detachment 1981-1983 and with the Camp Grayling Installation Support Unit 1983-1997. He completed military training courses in Supply, Firefighting, Petroleum Specialist and Petroleum Lab, NBC Team, Basic and Advanced Non-Commissioned Officer Courses. MSG Pearce was affiliated with the Regiment Quartermaster Corps, U.S. Army. He was a volunteer firefighter with the City of Grayling Fire Department 1978-1987, a member of Promise Keepers, The HAM Radio Club of Grayling and a member of the College Terrace Westleyan Church of Traverse City. MSG Pearce has been recognized on numerous occasions for his dedication to duty and "Customer First" attitude. His awards include: Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal; Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Armed Forces Reserve Medal; NCO Professional Development Ribbon; Army Service Ribbon; and the Michigan Broadsword Service Medal.

MSG Pearce is survived by his wife, Carol Lynn Trudeau; four sons: Damon, Jeffrey, Christopher and Jonathan; daughter, Ashley; one granddaughter; two sisters; two brothers; two stepbrothers; and one stepson.

MSG Pearce was preceded in death

by his parents and a sister.

A full Military funeral, including Color Guard, Pall Bearers, and Firing Squad was held on Wednesday, October 22, in Traverse City with burial at Memorial Gardens. The buglers were, Ms. Brooke Ginther and Ms. Sara Egan of the Grayling High School Band. BG Robert Taylor, Assistant Adjutant General - Army presented the U.S. flag to his wife for MAG Pearce's service to a grateful nation.

Albert A. Westervelt

Albert A. Westervelt, 63, of Lake Placid, Fla., died Tuesday, Oct. 21, 1997 in Lake Placid.

Mr. Westervelt was born in Owosso; he had been a resident of Lake Placid for the past seventeen years moving from Grayling. He was a teacher member of the Lake Placid Church of Christ; County Commissioner in Crawford County; member of the Grayling Lodge #356 F. & A.M.; former president of the Grayling Chamber of Commerce; owner of Ray's Canoe Rental and Sporting Good store in Grayling and Superintendent of Schools in Frederic Township.

He is survived by his wife, Capitola "Cappy"; four sons: Steven Westervelt of Phoenix, Ariz.; Wayne Westervelt of Lake Placid, Bruce Westervelt of Lake Placid, and Vern Westervelt of Portland, Ore; father and step-mother, Howard S. and Vonna B. Westervelt of Chesaning; two brothers: Dr. Ronald Westervelt of St. Charles, and Leon Westervelt of Jenison; sister, Vonna M. Berry of Cadillac; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 25, 1997 at 2 p.m. at the chapel of Scott Funeral Home with Clifford Reel officiating.

The family suggests memorials contributions to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 3840, Sebring, Fla. 33871-3840 or to the National Parkinson Foundation, Inc. 1501 N.W. 9th Avenue/Bob Hope Road, Miami, Fla. 33136.

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Surplus food commodities to be distributed on Nov. 11 at Eagles Hall

Surplus food commodities will be distributed by Carl W. Borchers Post and Auxiliary #3736 on Nov. 11 at the Eagles Hall from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Certification for next year will take place at the same place and time. Persons will need to bring proof of income, social security numbers and birthdates of all members in the household that is being certified, as well as identification of the head of household.

If you receive Food Stamps, AFDC, SSI, Medicaid or General Assistance, you are eligible for this program. Any resident of Crawford County that feels they might qualify will have to bring

proof of gross income (gross income refers to total cash receipts before taxes) for every working person in the household. A household is a single individual or group of related or non-related individuals, an immediate family or extended family who are living as one economic unit and for whom food is customarily purchased and prepared in common. Also, bring personal identification for the head of the household. Drivers license is preferable. If your income is a direct deposit bring in your bank statement. If you have no income you must bring in a statement from Social Services to that effect or bring you eligibility card

from any of the above mentioned programs.

Eligibility is based on (1) wages and salaries before any deductions; (2) receipts from non-farm and farm self-employment; (3) regular payments from social security, railroad retirement, unemployment compensation, strike benefits, veterans' benefits, public assistance including supplemental security income (SSI), training stipends, alimony, private pensions, government

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Kirtland Youth Theatre continues its 1997-98 student series in November with a week-long residency by America's premier touring theatre company for children. Theatreworks/USA.

The New York-based company comes to the Kirtland area for a full week of activities beginning on Monday, Nov. 3. The visit includes four days of in-school, hands-on residency activities, culminating with three performances at Kirtland Community College.

In addition to four days of hands-on workshops, conducted by Theatreworks/USA teaching artist Suzanne Khuri, the company will present their acclaimed version of "The Secret Garden." This enchanting musical theatre production is an

adaptation of Frances Hodgson Burnett's best-loved book about three children whose lives are changed by a magic garden they work to revive.

Four 45-minute, hands-on, in-school workshops are scheduled at each of the following area schools: Monday, Nov. 3, Grayling Middle School; Tuesday, Nov. 4, Our Lady of the Lake, Prudenville; Wednesday, Nov. 5, Mio Elementary School; and Thursday, Nov. 6, Rose City Middle School.

The company will present two 50-minute public performances on Friday, Nov. 7 at 9 and 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium at Kirtland Community College. For ticket information, or to make a reservation contact the Kirtland Ticket Office at 517-275-6777.

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Grayling's Urie, Niederer named AP scholars

Two students at Grayling High School have been named Advanced Placement Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations.

Approximately 10 percent of America's graduating seniors have taken one or more AP Examinations. Only about 13 percent of the more than 581,000 students who took AP Examinations in May 1997 performed at a sufficiently high level to merit such recognition.

The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of year-long courses

and exams (or their equivalent semester-long courses and exams).

One area student qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by receiving grades of 3 or higher on four or more AP Examinations, with an average exam grade of at least 3.25. This student is Kris Urie.

Kris Urie is the son of Cathy and Mike Heaven, and Aaron and Wanda Urie. Kris is currently a student at the University of Michigan.

Another area student qualified for the AP Scholar Award by receiving grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP Examinations. The AP Scholar is Paul Niederer, the son of Patti and Tim Coe, and Emil and Tish Niederer. Paul is currently attending Northern Michigan University.

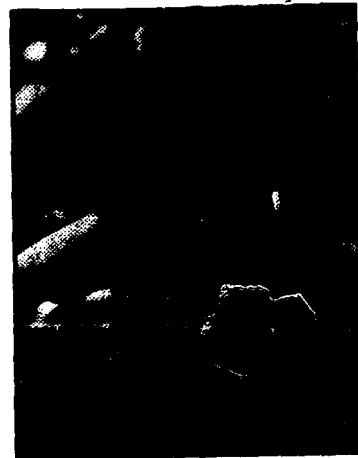
AP Examinations are graded on a 5-point scale (5 is the highest). Most of the nation's colleges and universities award credit and/or placement

for grades of 3 or higher, and more than 1,400 institutions award a year of credit (sophomore standing) to students with a sufficient number of qualifying grades. This year, there

were 31 AP Examinations offered in 17 subject areas, each consisting of multiple-choice and free-response (essay or problem-solving) questions.



Paul Niederer



Kris Urie

Thanksgiving dinner for community being planned

Come one, come all to the Fourth Annual Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Dinner hosted by St. John Lutheran Church on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27.

A buffet-style, traditional meal will be served from noon to 3 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 604 Norway in Grayling.

The dinner is made possible by donations from local businesses and cash donations from the community, therefore it is offered at no charge and everyone is welcome.

The Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Committee is hard at work and looking forward to making this year's dinner bigger and better than ever imagined. Donations are encouraged and can be made at the door or by sending a check payable to:

Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Committee or "C.A.T.C.", P.O. Box 44, Grayling, Michigan, 49738.

Also, volunteers are needed for various chores to make this event a success. This event is a great opportunity to earn those high school community service hours. To volunteer, call Therese Kaiser at 348-1340 or 348-7651.

Carry-out meals will be available and reservations for home-delivered meals can be made by calling Sally Golnick from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 348-9418 or St. John Lutheran Church from 9 a.m. to noon at 348-5224.

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SQUEEZE HARDER -- Jo Clingensmith of Grayling, has her grip and pinch strength tested during the Grayling Mercy 1997 Health Fair recently. Rehab Services staffer Jonathon Cohee, left, measures the results of the grip and pinch test. More than 600 individuals took part in the annual event. Some of the other events, which brought in senior citizens, youngsters and adults, included face painting. The face-painting booth is always a popular area for the children at Mercy's Health Fair. Three-year-old Joshua Golnick of Grayling, was one of the local children who let volunteer Denna Bugyi paint their faces.

Fever is not the enemy

You may be surprised to know that most of the time a fever actually is your ally. It tells you your body is hard at work fighting off some nasty bugs.

What's more, fever helps fight infection by making it harder for bacteria to survive.

But fever becomes your enemy when it tops 105 degrees

in adults. At that point it may cause convulsions, so call your doctor.

Also don't overlook "low-grade" fevers of 99 to 101 degrees. A low-grade fever that lasts more than a few days may indicate the presence of a chronic or severe infection and should be treated by a doctor.

Rights explained for a medicare hospital patient

You have the right to receive all the hospital care that is necessary for the proper diagnosis and treatment of your illness or injury. According to federal law, your discharge date must be determined solely by your medical needs, not by "DRGs" or Medicare payments.

You have the right to be fully informed about decisions effecting your medicare coverage and payment for your hospital stay and for any post-hospital services.

You have the right to request

a review by a peer review organization of any written notice of non-coverage that you receive from the hospital, stating that medicare will no longer pay for your hospital care. Peer Review Organizations (PROs) are groups of doctors who are paid by the federal government to review medical necessity, appropriateness and quality of hospital treatment furnished to medicare patients.

You and your doctor know more about your condition and

your health needs than anyone else. Decisions about your medical treatment should be made between you and your doctor. If you have any questions about your medical treatment, your need for continued hospital care, your discharge, or you need for possible post-hospital care, don't hesitate to ask your doctor. The hospital's patient representative or social worker will also help you with your questions and concerns about hospital services.

Coping with fever

DO drink hot soups, if it makes you feel better.

DO try to lower fever with lukewarm baths, cool cloths and anti-fever drugs. Be sure to follow directions on the medicine's label; overdoses may cause toxic reactions.

DO drink plenty of fluids to replace those sweated away.

DO monitor fever every four to eight hours, as long as you feel ill.

DO call your doctor if your fever tops 104 degrees, or if you have a fever that lasts longer than two days.

DON'T Exercise. Fever raises metabolic rate and exercise can worsen fever and contribute to dehydration.

DON'T Drink hot or cold liquids immediately before taking oral temperature. This will skew the reading.

Crawford County Commission on Aging

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving dinner set

We would like to invite one and all to come to our traditional Thanksgiving dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 25. We will be serving at two different times: 12:30 and 5 p.m. to accomodate all of our friends and neighbors.

Tina Kennedy will provide music for your dancing and listening pleasure from 1:30 to 4:30.

The suggested donation for seniors will be \$2 and the charge for non-seniors will be \$3.50. Please call for reservations at 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500.

We are heading into the Holiday Season. Please take time to remember those friends and relatives who would enjoy a

call or visit. Help make this a happier season for you and someone you care about.

The center will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Nov. 27 and 28. Home delivered meals will be sent out on Wednesday for the Holiday Weekend.



Bad weather policy posted

Basically, our policy of closing is based on school closing. If the schools are closed, then we are closed. However, in the event the COA Offices have to close early (or we can't open at all), announcements will be made on both local radio stations, WGRY/WQON and WCLS and also on TV channels.

Home-delivered meal recipients are provided with extra meals for their freezer to tide them over on such snow

days, and we will call them to make sure they are prepared.

Every effort will also be made to contact our regular congregated people to let them know we are not open and to make sure that they have food in the house.

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American Red Cross finds new quarters

Local staff moves office into Grayling Mini Mall

by Shirley D. Schmoock
 Special Writer

Citing the need to share office space for an expanding district, Executive Director Patti Simpson of Alpena said the move was necessary. The new office located in the Grayling Mini Mall, south of Grayling, allow for several staff members to co-exist with privacy and room to function properly. This office is now in 24-hour emergency touch through military communications.

The new district, named Northern Lower Michigan Chapter, covers 6,000 square miles. When a recent disaster occurred in Osgo County, and area residents gathered to search for a missing plane, the Red Cross served 510 meals donated by Gaylord area businesses.

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank each of the following people or organizations: Dr. Gosling & staff of Grayling Mercy Hospital; Dr. Sweirt & staff at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City; Derek McEvers and David of Sorenson Funeral Home for all the help they gave us; Michigan National Guard for conducting the Military rites at the graveside and special thanks to Mr. Thayer and The American Legion Auxiliary for the very good food. We would also like to express our gratitude to all the neighbors and relatives who provided food, cards and moral support.

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The area chapter has also assisted by sending people to disaster relief across the country including the Carolinas, Texas and Nevada. Michigan sends more volunteers to national disasters than any other state.

The ribbon cutting was held on Oct. 11 to celebrate many years of volunteer service to the Red Cross and to give the organization an opportunity to stand upon some of its fine laurels.

In year 1997 to date, the Blood Services Coordinator for Crawford County Betty Pamerleau said that 103 percent of the blood collections goals

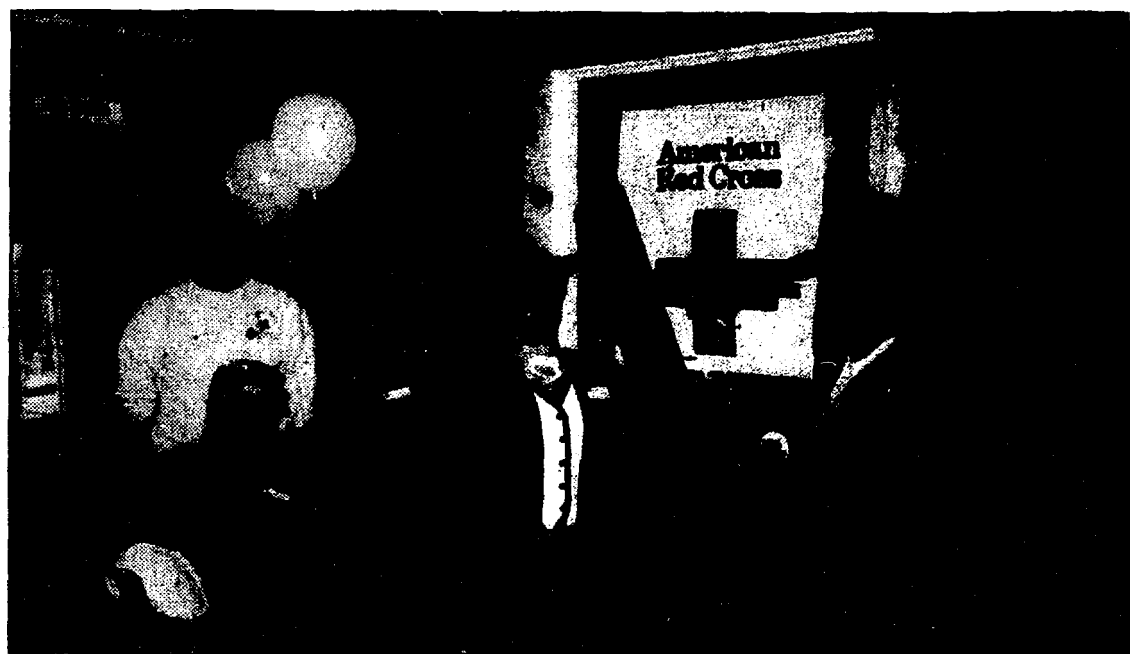
had been met by area donors or visitors. Future blood drives are in Grayling at the high school on Nov. 5, and in Frederic at the elementary school on Nov. 6. Both run noon-5:45 p.m.

Pamerleau presented a volunteer service pin for 20-years of service to Juanita Gibson of Grayling and a 10-year certificate of service to Chuck Amman, director of Shawono Center. The young men of Shawono Center have set up and torn down the blood drives for 10 years in the Grayling/Frederic area.

Another special award was given to

Tom Johnson, and received for him by his wife Alice. Tom has served above and beyond the call as a volunteer for the Red Cross, disaster services, and he was awarded a personalized jacket bearing his name and Red Cross insignia.

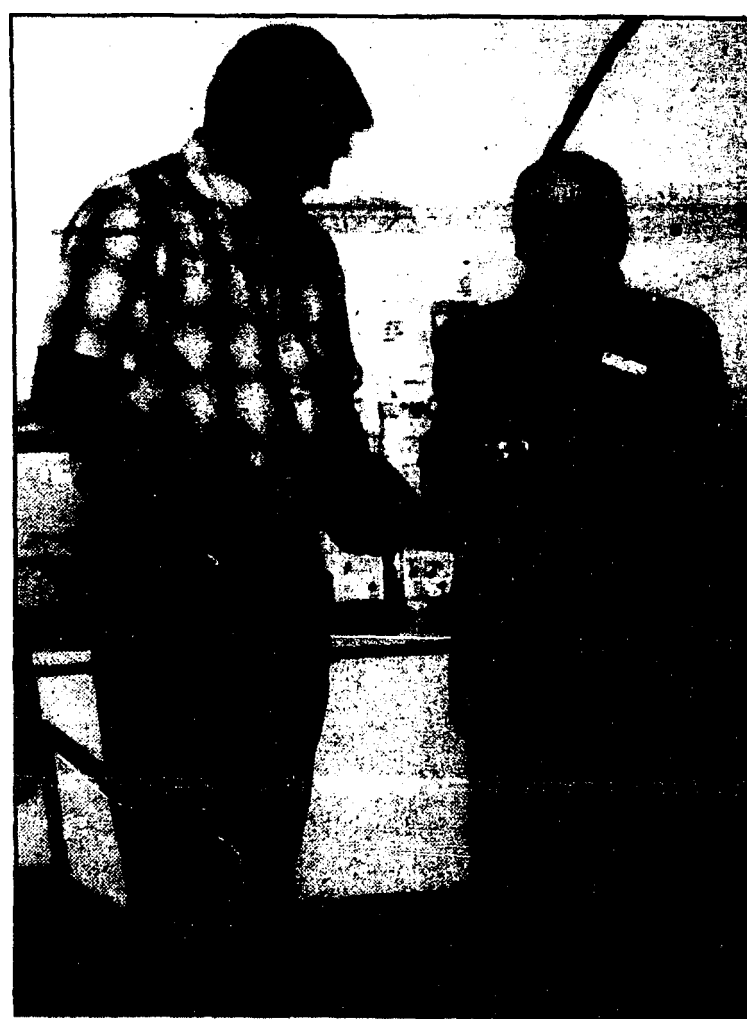
Others presented with service awards were: Arthur Kerle, 15 years; Gladys Tufts, 15 years; Margret Hayes, 10 years; Virginia Bowling, 10 years; Marian Joseph, five years; Wilma "Billie" VanEck, five years; and Diane Doremire, five years.



NEW OFFICE -- The American Red Cross for Crawford County opened its new office recently in the Grayling Mini Mall. Those who took part in the ribbon-cutting ceremony were (front, from left) Betty Pamerleau, Blood Service coordinator; Debbie Adams, Grayling Service Center coordinator; Patti Simpson, executive director for the Northern Lower Michigan Chapter out of Alpena; Lynn Porritt-McConnell, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Executive Director; and (back) Mark Moody, Health Safety director.



SERVICE AWARD -- Betty Pamerleau, Blood Services coordinator for Crawford County, presents Juanita Gibson with a 20-year service award for Red Cross volunteerism.



PLAQUE PRESENTED -- Chuck Amman (left), director of the Shawono Center, receives a 10-year service plaque from Betty Pamerleau, Blood Services coordinator for Crawford County.

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Watch for full-page ad of auction items in next week's Avalanche

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

NOTICE OF NEGOTIATED SALE OF SURPLUS LANDS EXCHANGE CASE NO. 19950161

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2133, Part 21, Subpart 10 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) proposes to sell the following State-owned land or rights in land by way of public auction:

Part of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 29, T27N, R4W, Frederick Township, Crawford County, 1.41 acres.

The proposed sale of this land or rights in land is being placed on the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Agenda for public comment prior to being approved by the DNR Director. The next meeting of the Natural Resources Commission is scheduled at the following date, time and location:

November 5, 1997
 4:30 p.m.
 Holiday Inn - South
 6820 S. Cedar
 Lansing, Michigan

Public appearances before the NRC will begin at 4:30 P.M. and may be scheduled by calling Ms. Theresa Gloden, NRC Secretary, at 517-373-2352.

The complete list of negotiated sales proposed by the Department is available by contacting Mr. Robert L. Couvreur, Real Estate Division, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 30448, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Phone (517) 335-3259.

PLEASE NOTE. This notice is not a solicitation for bids. Special circumstances have created the need to release the listed property to an approved land exchange applicant. Negotiations concerning the terms of the sale have been completed with the applicant and are being submitted for approval by the Director following the above-referenced meeting.

MILITARY NEWS

Marine Pfc. Amanda K. McEvers, daughter of Mark A. McEvers of Grayling, recently reported for duty with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron-13, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Ariz.

McEvers' new assignment is an example of how Navy and Marine Corps men and women are assigned to ships, squadrons and shore commands around the world. Whether serving in the Persian Gulf near Iraq or in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, people like McEvers are making a difference, as they work to improve their knowledge and skill as part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

The 1996 graduate of Grayling High School joined the Marine Corps in March 1997.

United Way Auction to take place Nov. 8

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Admission is \$5.

The United Way Auction is held every year to support the 18 local agencies that count on the support of Crawford County. This year the

Chamber of Commerce elects executive board

At the October meeting of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, the following individuals were elected to offices of the Chamber.

Monte Burmeister of Terrance Bloomquist and Associates became the new president. Bill Gannon, Gannon Broadcasting was elected vice-president. The secretary is Mary Jo Conway of Mercy Hospital and the treasurer is Phil Dennett from Weyerhaeuser. Keith Kenney from NBD Mortgage Center will continue on the executive board as immediate past president.

The Board of Directors also re-elected Diane Tompkins from Diane's Car Wash, Paula Edlund of the Framery II and Phil Dennett from Weyerhaeuser for new three year terms. Each had previously been appointed to complete unexpired terms of someone else.

Also elected was Gerry VanSickle of Citizens Bank. VanSickle's term is also for three years.

campaign slogan is "The Power of U" - and it's never truer than what the community does each year by participating in the auction.

Marianne and Jerry Gosnell and Jim and Sandy Briney and their volunteers have been working hard to make this year's auction better than ever. Already there is an impressive collection of items. There are desk clocks, sweatshirts, a birdhouse, pizzas, an exercise membership, canoe trips, baskets of goodies, gift certificates to area salons, beauty products and tanning sessions. There are also car wash certificates, a cellular phone, video rental certificates and garbage disposal.

A regular feature of the evening is the prize board. United Way Board Members and volunteers are already selling tickets for this event. Mostly gift certificates worth much more than the \$10 price of a ticket - this is a raffle that goes on at various times during the evening.

The doors open a 6 p.m. for the silent auction. From 6 to 8 p.m. everyone present has an opportunity to make a silent bid on any item displayed around the room. The highest bid will receive that item.

This year the group had many celebrity auctioneers who will make people want to bid on their special donations. Auctioneers include Skip and Gail Madsen, Scott Dunn, Brad Scheer, Kathy Olson, Jim Kanary, Bill Gannon, Ted Rondeau, Cindy Strong, and Floyd Hanger.

Come join the fun, as the United Way shows the community the power of "U" - the individual - to make a difference in Crawford County. All donations are tax deductible and it's a great evening to share with friends and neighbors. The event takes place at the Knights of Columbus Hall.



SCHOLARSHIP CHECK — Amy Furst is shown receiving a \$1,000 scholarship check from Allen Schreiner, Worshipful Master of Grayling Lodge #356, F. and A.M. The funds were given by the local Masonic Lodge and the Michigan Masonic Foundation.

Schools call on community for help in battle against drugs

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The third and final area is community involvement. This would involve setting up a community committee to change the behavior and expectations of the community. Reynolds said, "If there isn't community involvement, then the other two will have little or no impact."

The agenda of the next school board meeting (Monday, Nov. 17) will include an item about the drug problem and possible community involvement.

At the October board meeting Reynolds explained that a large, serious initiative would need to be started with the community to solve the problem. He pointed out that two former community initiatives that were started did not survive. The first meeting had a large group of people in attendance to discuss drug issues, but after a few meetings and the added concept of adult role models (who won't smoke or drink), these former committees ended up being about three or four residents.

In addition to the general chart of results, there were other breakdowns of information in to different charts. One of the charts that Reynolds pointed out was called, "Setting in which use of alcohol and drugs occurred during the last 30 days."

The results show that Crawford AuSable School students answered that the two most common places for use of drugs and/or alcohol was at a friend's house or at a party.

Eighth graders response shows: 45.1 percent drank alcohol at a friend's house and 51.4 percent drank alcohol at a party; while 29.1 percent used drugs at a friend's house and 25.7 percent used drugs at a party.

Sophomore response shows: 46.9 percent drank alcohol at a friend's house and 45.1 percent drank alcohol at a party; while 31.1 percent used drugs at a friend's house and 27.4 percent used drugs at a party.

Senior response shows: 57.1 percent drank alcohol at a friend's house and 59.3 percent drank alcohol at a party; while 45.7 percent used drugs at a friend's house and 40.2 used drugs at a party.

The same questions on the survey were used for all three grade levels. The survey contained no names or any other way to identify the participants. The questionnaires were taken anonymously and turned in directly to the survey administrators from Western Michigan University in a random order.

From History's Scrapbook Events from Yesteryears

November 1, 1913 - Notre Dame introduces the forward pass in the football game against Army.

November 2, 1889 - North Dakota is admitted as the 39th state of the Union.

November 3, 1896 - Idaho, by popular vote, grants full suffrage to woman.

November 4, 1952 - Eisenhower and Nixon capture the White House - the first Republicans to do so in twenty years.

November 5, 1946 - John F. Kennedy, 29, wins a seat in the House of Representatives.

November 6, 1869 - Princeton and Rutgers meet in the first formal intercollegiate football game.



VOLUNTEER HELP -- Tom Brady, who is part of the crew that is working on the Habitat for Humanity house, puts the final touches on a window in the house.

Crew puts finishing touches on house

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next spring, when conditions are right for seeding and planting.

Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with the entire community. Houses are built through the combined efforts of volunteer labor — skilled and unskilled, in-kind donations and contributions from individuals, local businesses, service groups and fund-raising projects and efforts.

"Our goal at this time is to build one house a year in 1998 and 1999," Holysko said. "We decided initially to take the conservative approach and pay for each house as funds are available. Hopefully in the year 2000, we can build two houses per year."

Funding Habitat homes is a continuous process and volunteers are always needed for different fund-raising projects. For details on how to become a partner with Habitat or to apply for a Habitat house, call (517) 344-3110 or write: Crawford County Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 1046, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

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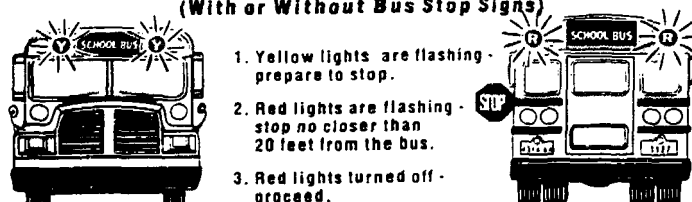


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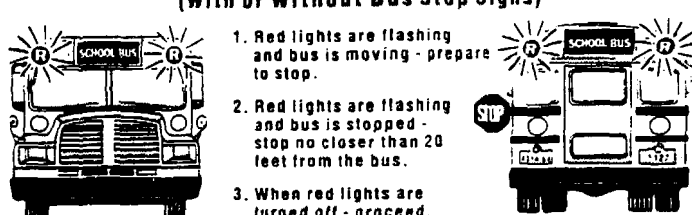
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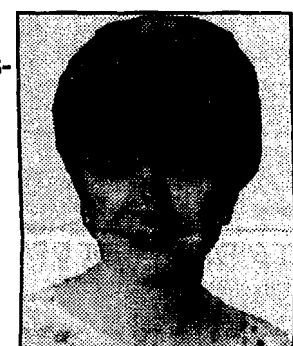
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105 points: Donnie Forbes.

100 points: Rodney Adkison, Rick Anderson, Harold Marguardt.

99 points: Robert Gennrich, Nancy Gingerick, Cathy Kniss, Doug Latuszek, Kim Schmidt.

98 points: Harry Froum, Julie Gates, Nick Mihaesen.

97 points: Rebecca Bond, Mark Hartman, Annette Metzger, Dave Peterson, Alf Svensen, Rod Wade.

96 points: Gary Derenzy, Jeremy Latuszek, Aaron Raymond, Ken Smith, Jon Thompson, Michael Wiles.

95 points: Brenda Curtis, Larry Curtis, Mike D'Amour, John Keir, Ralph Krolczyk, Tom St. Germain, Robert Wargo, Tom Winchester, Ron Wyman.

94 points: Mary Brown, Christopher Callahan, Denyce Krolczyk, Carol LaMotte, Kenneth Polley, Duane Wales, Joe Whelton, Joy Wright.

93 points: Butch Brown, John Cottenham, Moe Enos, Brian Kemstock, Rob Lawe, Gary Nettleton.

92 points: Steve Anderson, Jeanne Bulmer, Wayne Davis, Robert Gennrich, Greg Gothro, Mark McEvers, Dick Miller, Aaron Peterson, Tom Weaver, John Wireman.

91 points: Jan Annis, Kenneth Conklin, Doug Donaldson, Chris Golnick, Brent Kernstock, Irv McIsaac, D.J. Metzger, Jerry Roman, Lacey Stephan.

90 points: Carol Conklin, Kimberly

Curtis, Reda Francisco, Rose Gildner, Howard Guyett, Sherry Harney, Lyndell Robinson, Joe Thompson, Brad Trenary.

89 points: Steve Anderson, Jr., Kyle Bond, Melanie Cragg, Arkie Crismon, Kelly Curtis, Theresa Fijolek, Vicki Lewis, Brian Noeske, Dave Sharpe, Tony Thomson.

88 points: Chris Cragg, Larry Davis, Jr., Tim Gallaway, Dave Golnick, Joseph Goniea, Matt Keir, Fred Krolkowski, Curt LaMotte, Doug McMurtrie, Ron Metzger, Joan Neal, Larry Rouse, Ross Thompson.

87 points: Chad Bonamic, Teresa Bonamic, Joanna Cottenham, Larry Davis, Sr., Ronald MacLeod, Harry Mead, Judy Myers, Rick Nash, Ron Schrieber, Dave Svensen.

86 points: Arrow Francisco, Lance Harmer, Laurie Jensen, Dennis Kuhn, Betty MacLeod, Mac McCluskey, Roy McIntosh, Pat Merrill, Bob Root, John St. Clair.

85 points: Matt Cragg, Pamela Hull, Al Leng, Phillip Lewis, Brett Mead, Robert Mead, Tracy Randall.

84 points: Denise Boonie, Matt Kersey, J.C. King, Arnold Randall.

83 points: Jamie Anderson, Sandi Enos, Jerry Gildner, Jan Grigsby, Louise Hatfield, Mary Kersey, Rena Neilson, Conrad Seidel, Arnold Stancil.

82 points: Marv Forbes, Kim

Guernsey, Toni Stephan.

81 points: Bruce Armstrong, Jean Arwood, Lois Davis, Paul Hamlin, Donald Hibbard, Joyce Lindberg, Vickie Marzik, John Smock.

80 points: Karen Curtis, Paul Elekonich, Justin Hanes, Janet Hanson, Vickie Potter.

79 points: Beverly McIntosh, Carol Rice, Shirley Welke.

78 points: Kyle Curtis, Donn Handy, Mike Harmer, Darrell Metzger, J&J Millikin.

77 points: Carla Finkle, Kevin Hunter, Darlene Latuszek, Mary Ellen Swartz.

76 points: Rick Millikin.

75 points: Beverly Fagan, Dennis Henning, Mike Retz.

74 points: Jim Brown, Jeanne Hamilton, Jason Potter, Ray Waite.

73 points: Nancy Root.

72 points: Jack Sioff.

70 points: Tyler Cragg, Sharon McMartin, June Rouse.

69 points: Steve Czapek, Marilyn Hawkins, Kevin Jensen, Rick Mrazik, T.J. Rankin.

68 points: Jennifer Harris.

66 points: Susie Crismon, Carol Sioff.

65 points: Paul Peterson.

64 points: Don Kernstock, Tina Nelson, Paula Nettleton.

61 points: Glenn Miller.

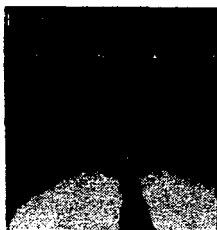
60 points: Krystel Davis, Paul Kanary.

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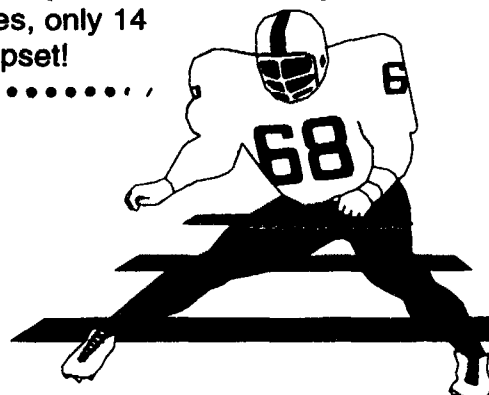
8. Tampa Bay vs. Indianapolis

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Football Contest

J.C. Millikin was the winner of week # 9, with a total of 15 correct. Joanna Cottenham, Tim Galloway, Dick Miller, Jack Sletoff, Alf Svensen and Ross Thompson also had 15 correct, but Millikin's tiebreaker pick of 30 was closer to the actual tiebreaker score of 30, than any of the rest. Twenty-three others followed with 14 correct. Out of 230 entries, only 14 chose Chicago to beat Miami. Quite an upset!



Last week's winners:

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Philadelphia (25) | 10. Seattle |
| 2. Denver | 11. San Diego |
| 3. San Francisco | 12. Tennessee |
| 4. Kansas City | 13. Carolina |
| 5. Baltimore | 14. Ohio St. |
| 6. Minnesota | 15. Iowa |
| 7. N.Y. Giants | 16. Purdue |
| 8. Chicago | 17. West Virginia |
| 9. Pittsburgh (40) | 18. Michigan (30) |

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Tiebreaker 1 (total points scored in game 1)

Tiebreaker 2 (total points scored in game 18)

Tiebreaker 3 (total points scored in game 9)

Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

1. Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Entry blanks without advertisers listed will be invalid.
2. One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford Co. Avalanche employees are not eligible.
3. Completed entry blanks must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 p.m. Friday before each week's games. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 p.m. Friday. Mail to Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI, 49738.
4. Entries must be on an official entry blank as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office.
5. Winners may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming a prize.

Weekly Prizes

- *Sports cap--Scheer Motors
- *Mystery gift--Sylvester's
- *\$10 gift certificate--Grayling Glen's Market
- *\$10 gift certificate--Abel Auto Parts
- *Lunch for 2 at Charlie's Country Corner - Fick & Sons
- *\$1 off one lunch - Sawmill
- *Free hat--McLean's Ace Hardware
- *One free lunch, a \$6.95 value--Grayling Holiday Inn
- *Free lube, oil and filter--Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury, Inc.
- *\$50 from the Crawford County Avalanche

Overall Prizes

- *Free lube, oil & filter--Scheer Motors
- *Mystery gift--Sylvester's
- *\$10 gift certificate--Grayling Glen's Market
- *Free lube, oil & filter--Don Nester
- *\$50 off any purchase--Abel Auto Parts
- *\$50 gift certificate--Comfort Center
- *Sunday brunch for two and swim room, a \$50 value--Grayling Holiday Inn
- *Power Driver - DuBois Lumber Co.
- *\$100 and one year free subscription--Crawford County Avalanche

To be a weekly winner:

1. Write your prediction for game one on entry form.
2. Write the advertiser's name on entry form for game one. All the advertisers must be included.
3. Fill out rest of entry form this way including your three tie-breaker predictions (total points scored by both teams).
4. Return the entry form by 5 p.m. Friday to the Avalanche. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 p.m. and before 9 a.m. Mail entries must be postmarked Friday or earlier. No late entries accepted. No exceptions.
5. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed.

To win the overall prizes:

1. Each time you turn in an entry form you'll receive points for your correct picks. Most games will be worth one point. (All games for week 1 are worth one point each.) Later in the season, certain games will be designated as bonus point games worth more than one point. The biggest bonus point game will be at the last week of the contest.
2. You don't have to enter each week to be eligible to win but if you play each week, you'll have more chances to win points.
3. The person with the most points at the end of the football contest will win all the overall prizes.

18. Purdue vs. Iowa



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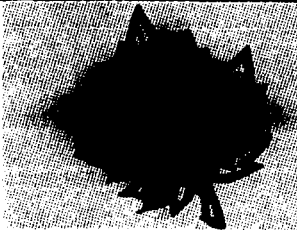
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Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Area building boom continues

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

The building and renovation explosion continues in Crawford County. A number of county businesses continue to change their "image." Local muralist, Dean Worden, puts the finishing touches of just the right stuff on a series of vibrant new murals he's been creating for the Riverland Gear Building.

Bill Moshier of Moshier Refrigeration stands poised at the foot of a ladder, ready to begin a late painting job himself.

The steel and girders are being lifted into place for the new RiteAid and Monarch Mill structures, and the roof trusses rise neatly upon the May Day Manufacturing plant on M-72, east of the city.

Bricklayers are busy at Michelson Memorial, and painters have a finishing coat to apply to the new St. Francis Thrift Store addition on M-72 West of Grayling. This second-hand enterprise has served the community and surrounding area with good, used merchandise for over 30 years.

"But," said maintenance director, Art Wurzel, "Our current building was bursting at the seams and unable to accommodate the needs of a growing population of campers, young families and even energetic retirees who are furnishing another nest or two." This addition approximately doubles the size of the Thrift Shop.

One long look at the local Holiday Inn is sufficient testament to a complete face-lift. The new owners, Ralph and Barrissa Ayar of West Bloomfield Hills, formerly held title to the Holiday Inn in Ann Arbor, but now are anxious to begin calling Grayling their home.

The Iraqi-born Ayar said his family came to the states 30 years ago to escape political and religious persecution. His family of four brothers and a sister started with a small grocery store in Detroit, and they have added other stores through the years.

Ayar says he "loves it here very much," and that people are like family during the week, when he must spend time away from his own wife and

children.

His immediate plans are to change the property inside and out, redecorating the rooms, and giving special attention to the Holiday swimming/entertainment area.

"We have family focus and safety stressed in the unique playground built especially for small children," Ayar said, and they expect to cater to families and orient the pool area accordingly. Casino packages are also on their planning list of things to do.

Operations Manager Dean Smith of Grayling said "Snowmobiling is having a tremendous revival downstate, and we believe that Grayling must not miss this business. With so much state land in Crawford County, it might as well translate into something positive for the community. After all, we can't buy it or sell it, so we might as well use it for snowmobiling."

Another new enterprise has opened on Main Street in Grayling. The Signals and Sounds, a Radio Shack distributor, owned by Mark and Dawn Pindell and partners David and Nancy Niederer, all of Grayling, opened Oct. 5. Store Manager Pindell said, "We're still getting merchandise in and have a lot to do before the holiday rush." They're also the Century Cellnet agent for the area and have years of combined experience in the sound and electronics field.

Re/Max of Grayling wanted to make way for Gary Boyd of Frederic and local CPA, John Cherven, to take office space there part time — though Cherven will maintain his own primary offices in the Grayling Mini-Mall — so, Herb Olson decided to find his own space for Farm Bureau to expand.

Olson has been in the insurance business in Grayling for nearly 20 years, and he's recently taken possession of the old Clyde's Heating & Plumbing building at James and Ionia behind the Amoco station. Barry McClanahan and crew stripped the exterior and interior of the building to remodel the space.

Clyde Weiss will be conducting business as usual from his residence — at least until some more major announcements can be made.

Yet another man now conducting business from home is Western Trails' new owner/operator Douglas Aliko. He moved here recently from Ann Arbor to take possession of the popular snowmobiler's wintertime haven, west of the city. He's been in the United States since 1992, "so snow is not new to me." Born in Tirana, the capital city of Albania, a country in Central Europe lying between Italy and Greece, Aliko said he and his family have always been in marketing products, so the motel was a natural move for him.

And, as the sky threatens, is he really anxious for the snow to come?

"Yes, most anxious. The major maintenance has been done here, so now's the time for me to do business in my new home."

The former Golden Touch has been sold to Lynn Chene of Grayling. Chene will feature five stylists, tanning beds, and nails.

"I'm so excited to get started," she admitted. "The rewiring and uplifting has been done to the building - it helps to be married to an electrician - and I'm waiting for my son to come up with a new name."

Now, do not let it be said that the City of Grayling is getting all the good things.

A recent trip to Lovells, to meet the new owners of the old Douglas Hotel and begin a historical piece on the planned restoration of that unique property, netted a turnover in ownership of the Lovells Riverside Tavern.

After 22 years of owning and operating the popular pub and eatery, Rene Fortier and wife Esther are anxious to begin retired life. The tavern's been a favorite haunt for hungry snowmobilers and hunters for years, and because of its success, Fortier said the new buyers will probably leave it much as it is today.

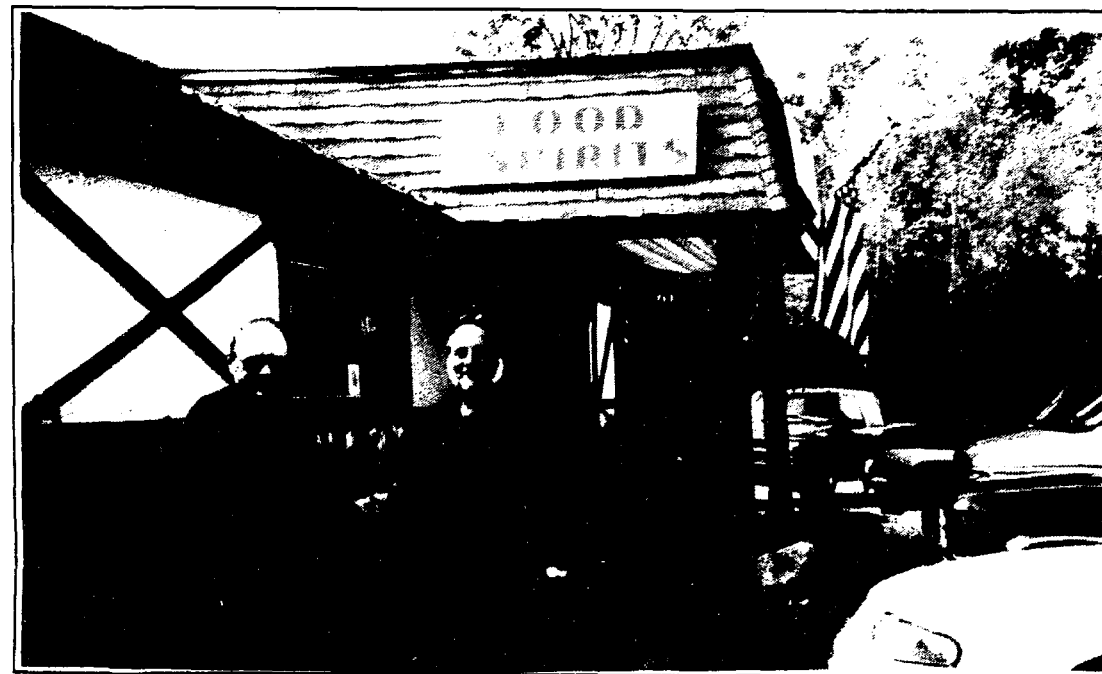
The Riverside's new owner, Frank Antonini of Canton Township, said the Lovells area has great potential, and he has recently purchased a home on the AuSable River very near his investment. A former resident of the Detroit area, Antonini said his family has been in the masonry business for three generations. He's currently refurbished some rental units next door to the tavern for the winter/summer trade. Antonini will manage the Riverside Co-owner, James Walker, is also from Canton Township.

Last but certainly not the least of the more classic remodeling projects completed or being completed this year is the stately Camp Grayling Officers' Club. Built in 1917 by Rasmus Hanson and given to the State of Michigan, this frame structure with "colonnaded veranda and symmetrically spaced dormers set into the low hipped roof — was common to militia camps and army posts erected at the turn of the century."

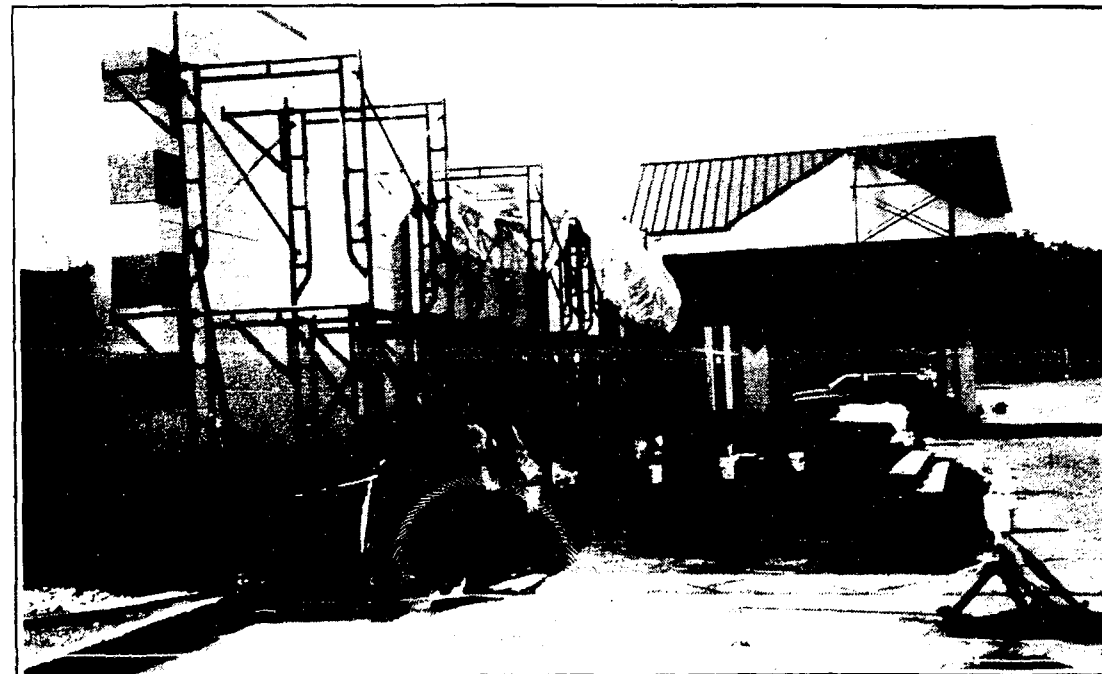
The outside has been vinyl sided by Northern Exteriors of Kalkaska, and Jinx Parkinson, a local contractor, rebuilt the porches and refaced the columns through funds obtained from donors. Much to its credit, the Officer's Club is self-supporting as a banquet and public reception hall. A yearly raffle is, however, sponsored for the club's general maintenance. In addition, the club members help support the facility through dues and other fund-raising efforts. Due to a recent upgrading of the camp's travel trailer park with 30-amp electrical service to 70 sites and sewer/water hookups to 50 of the 80 total sites, Assistant Club Manager, Jackie D'Amour, said that further major renovations cannot be anticipated in the near future. The main lounge area has been repainted, repapered, and recarpeted and relit with carriage lighting.



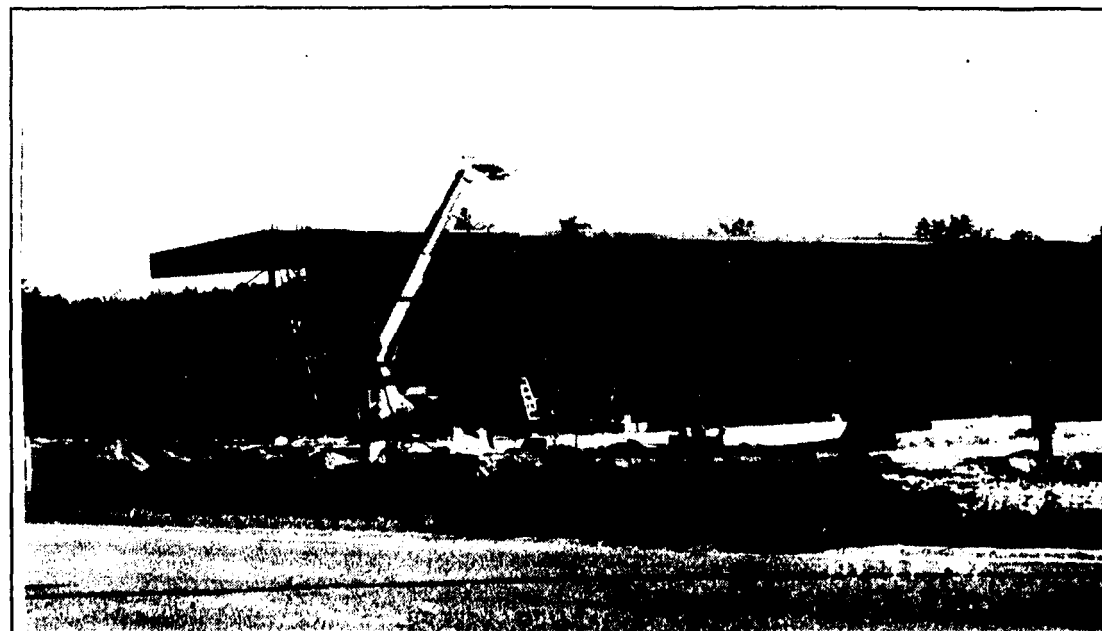
NEW PICTURES -- Dean Worden, muralist from Grayling, creates a new set of murals on the Riverland Gear Building. This completes the change from the old look of the Michigan Avenue corner store, from Mac's Drugs to Riverland Gear.



CHANGING HANDS -- The Lovells Riverside Tavern changes hands after 22 years have been owned by the same person. Rene Fortier, left, seals the deal with new owner, Frank Antonini.



A NEW LOOK -- The Holiday Inn of Grayling has gone through a major facelift, spearheaded by new owner, Ralph Ayar. There is a lot of remodeling going on inside and outside of the Holiday Inn.



MONARCH MILL -- Steel girders are being put into place at Monarch Mill. This work is done in the Grayling Industrial Park.



PAINT JOB -- This is just one of the many remodeling jobs that has started or has been recently completed in Crawford County. The changes, such as remodeling projects, relocating a business or starting a new business, have been a regular occurrence in the Grayling area recently. Pictured, Bill Moshier, 78, of Grayling, prepares his Moshier Refrigeration building for a new paint job.

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'Snow Bowl 1997' ends soccer season at district game last week

by Eric Gaertner
 News Editor

A year of huge amounts of improvement by the Grayling soccer team did not end in an improved result in the districts on Wednesday, Oct. 22.

The Roscommon Bucks bounced the Vikings from district play in 1996, and the Bucks bounced Grayling again this year in "Snow Bowl 1997."

The school maintenance crew did a great job of getting the field clear before the game started, but Mother Nature had her own ideas of the way the soccer district game in Grayling would be played. The snow came down hard and covered the entire field by halftime. Fans had a hard time even seeing the cross bars of the goals, because the driving snow was coming down so hard.

The Vikings did have the home field advantage, but it was the Bucks who had the advantage with the snow. Roscommon used its snow advantage, controlled the ball most of the game and beat the Vikings, 5-1.

"We had a real hard time with the snow," Grayling Coach Karen Langseth said of her second year varsity team. "Our players would either slip and fall or miss hit kicks which caused problems."

"The snow took us completely out of our game," Langseth said. "We usually play a fast game and use our speed, but that couldn't happen with the conditions."

The Vikings' coach pointed out that Roscommon's experience really showed up in this game. The Bucks



BRAVE FANS -- A good crowd of fans turned out to watch the district game last week, even though the snow was coming down hard. The umbrellas used by some of the Grayling and Roscommon fans were not to protect themselves from the rain, but the snow.

are more used to playing in these types of conditions, Langseth said. They have been playing soccer longer and have advanced deep into the state tournament, which means playing games in this type of weather.

Even with the district loss, Grayling still had a much better season than last year. The team finished with a record of 10-7-1 overall and 7-4-1 in the conference. The Vikings hope to due even better next year, with a district victory.

The improvement this season by the soccer team shows just how good the Grayling squad could be next year and over the next few years. The Vikings have mostly sophomores and freshmen on this year's team, so the future looks bright.

In the district game Roscommon controlled the ball for most of the game. The Bucks held the ball in Grayling's half of the field, especially at the start of the game.

The districts started out with the Bucks getting off three or four shots against Grayling's keeper, but Roscommon did not score. The Vikings counterattacked after one of the shots and got on the scoreboard first.

Josh Petrie scored the goal on a nice pass from Kyle Langseth. The lead was short lived, as Roscommon started to make its shots count and took a commanding lead at halftime.

With the season complete, the end-of-the-year awards are being distributed. The all-district meeting was recently held, and three players from Grayling were recognized. The all-district team consists of 14 field players and two goal keepers.

Kyle Langseth, who led the Vikings in goals, was the only freshman named to the all-district team. He was ranked fifth in the district by the coaches.

Eric Thompson, who had a number of assists this season, also received all-district honors. He was ranked 10th by the coaches.

Jeremy Jones, who was key in the transition from defense to offense and collected many assists, was ranked 13th on the all-district team.



CORNER KICK -- Freshman Kyle Langseth, who was recently named to the all-district team, gets ready put the ball into play on a corner kick. The Vikings and Bucks had to be sure of their footing before making a kick, because of the snowy conditions.

Photos by Eric Gaertner

Roman finishes great season at state meet

A Grayling senior golfer shot a good round at the Class B state meet, but it took an outstanding round to place near the top, with such a great field on hand.

Jerry Roman, who qualified for the state meet last year too, shot the exact same 18-hole score he did last year. He shot a round of 81 on both trips, which is a very good round of golf.

This year's state meet golf field was even more outstanding than the prior year. Last year Roman's 81 was good enough for 18th place out of the state's best golfers. This year the

round of 81 only got Roman 55th place.

Grayling Coach Herb Olson said both years the same course was played, so it shows just how outstanding this year's field of golfers were. There were 144 golfers who qualified for the Class B state meet.

The state meet for individuals and the team regionals last week brought to end the Vikings' golf season. A banquet was held this past weekend to recognize the achievement by the golfers.

Olson distributed the varsity letters to those golfers who qualified. The letters were given to Mike Ostwald, Kevin Jansen, Mike Winters, Travis Hulbert, Rob Lawe and Roman.

Lawe and Roman also received the 100 percent award. The honor was given to the two golfers, because their scores were used in every meet and tournament that Grayling competed in. Roman finished with an average round for the year of 39. Lawe also had an outstanding season, finishing with an average of 43 for a nine-hole round.

Matt Mitchell was given the Most Improved award at the banquet. Mitchell knocked 3.8 strokes off of his average of last year. His average at the end of this year was 46.

Roman received the team Most Valuable award. He also was given the MVP award for the North East Michigan Conference. Roman (first team), Lawe (second team) and Mitchell (honorable mention) also were given their all-conference medals. Roman also was a member of the all-regional team, with his fourth-place finish at the regional meet.

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Varsity Redskins stop Atlanta in Super Bowl

The Grayling eighth grade Varsity Redskins met the Atlanta Varsity last Saturday and out-manuevered the larger Northern Conference opponent. The eighth grade squad won their last Redskin game with an aggressive defense, which forced three turnovers and an outside running/passing attack that accumulated over 300 yards on offense.

As the inside running game of the Redskins was stopped early in the first drive, Offensive Coordinator Mike Johnson began calling for quick outside pitches mixed between long passes. Quarterback Jimmi Welch scored the first touchdown from the one-yard line and the varsity team held the lead thereafter.

Grayling marched for another touchdown, scoring on a seven-yard run by Nick D'Amour, after stopping Atlanta on defense. Kicker Larry Baynham, Jr. kicked the extra point to give the Redskins a 14-0 advantage.

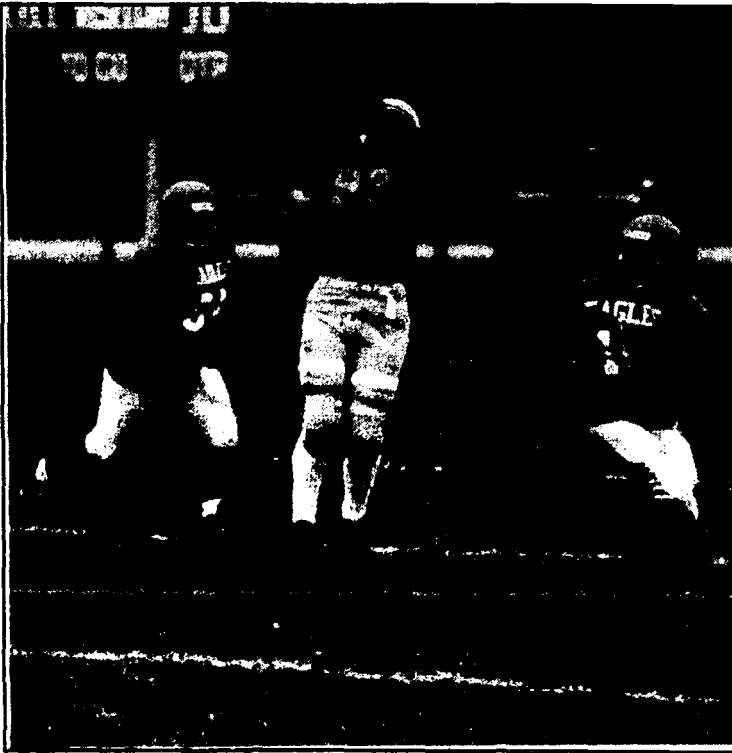
Early in the second quarter, Atlanta scored on a 54 yard pass play and then stopped the Redskins' next possession on a fourth down play. However, the Redskins' defense rose to the occasion as Baynham intercepted a Atlanta pass and running back Nate Haskel scored on a 8 yard pitch play. Haskel's touchdown was set up on a spectacular

30-yard pass from Welch to split end Mike Hale.

The Redskins final two scores were made by long runs from scrimmage. Following the lead block of tackle Ricky Riggs, Haskel broke open late in the third quarter for a 76 yard touchdown run. After Atlanta scored two touchdowns to reduce the Redskin lead to 10 points, Welch sprung for a 51 yard touchdown on a quarterback sneak and Baynham converted the extra point.

Defensive Coordinator Larry Baynham, Sr. gave credit to his line for stopping the big Atlanta offense. Nose guard Josh Peterson, tackles Nick Hurd and Jeff Pasternak had several key tackles a piece to stop Atlanta drives. Other top defenders for Grayling included linebackers Juell Joseph and Chris Malone.

Head Coach Tom Haskel felt that the Varsity played their best game of the year. Haskel noted that the Redskins have been learning the intricate veer offense run by the Vikings and the players performed the plays with precision against Atlanta. Considering their progress this year, the Redskins coaching staff feels that Viking fans will be impressed with this group of kids during next year's football season.



GOOD GRAB -- Larry Baynham jumps up and makes an outstanding catch between two defenders. Baynham, a tall target, has been one of the receivers the Varsity Redskins have looked for to make plays in the passing game. The Redskins turned in their best performance of the season, winning the Super Bowl against the favorite, Atlanta.

Photo by Tom Haskel

Grayling prepares for Roscommon's visit Thursday

Viking hoopsters remain in second place

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

A loss to Tawas stalled the Grayling girls' basketball team's momentum last week, but the Vikings got it back against Pinconning. The momentum will be needed against arch-rival Roscommon, when the Bucks visit Grayling.

The Vikings will host the bucks on Thursday, Oct. 30, with the JV contest beginning at 6 p.m. The district tournament in girls' basketball is about two weeks away, and this is one of the big games that the Vikings have remaining on their schedule.

Grayling and Roscommon always play hard games against one another, but this Thursday's contest will have a little extra. The Vikings defeated the Bucks on Roscommon's home floor in the first game of the season, so Roscommon will be looking for a little pay back on Grayling's home floor.

"I expect Roscommon to come out and go right after us," Coach Chris Dunckley said. "I expect it to be a very tough game."

In last week's action, Grayling got off to a rough start with a 65-56 defeat at the hands of Tawas. The Braves took it right to the Vikings on the Tawas home court on Oct. 21.

Grayling had defeated Tawas by 22 points in the first meeting of the season, but the Braves played a great game to beat the Vikings.

The Braves opened up a huge 24-point lead in the third quarter. The Vikings tried to make a comeback, but the attempt fell short as the time ran out on Grayling.

"The Braves played a very good



game this time," Dunckley said. "A couple of their forwards scored 41 points combined against us."

Brandy Ritter led the Grayling scoring attack, dropping in 25 points. Mandy Trudgeon also finished in double figures with 10 points. Jamie McGuire added nine points.

Defensively, the Vikings got a

good effort from small forward Mary Dobry. Trudgeon also played her patented good defense.

Grayling regrouped on Thursday, Oct. 23, and came away with a 62-40 victory against Pinconning. The home win raised the Vikings' season record to 10-4 overall and 9-3 in conference play. Grayling remains in second place in the conference.

Dunckley said the coaches made a couple of changes and the girls responded well. The team put together a good effort, Dunckley added.

Dobry and Nicole Craigie led the way with 14 points each. Ritter finished with 10 points.

Wendy's Viking of the week

Girls Basketball Mary Dobry

Viking junior Mary Dobry was chosen Viking of the Week for her outstanding defense in both games last week, and picking up the offense, against Pinconning, with 14 points.

Wendy's Viking of the week

Cross-Country Katie Olson

Viking junior Katie Olson was chosen Viking of the Week for completing the regional race in 24:39, this being 42 seconds faster than she has ran all season.

Wendy's Viking of the week

Football Travis Parkinson

Viking senior Travis Parkinson was chosen Viking of the Week for being the leading receiver against Gladwin, with five catches. Travis also had an interception, a fumble recovery and 7 tackles.

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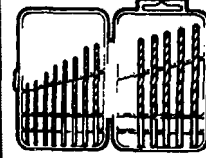


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Football season comes to an end Friday

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The members of the Viking football team played another good game, but for a second week in a row, they lost a game that could have gone to either team.

Grayling will try to reverse the trend in the last game of the season on Friday, Oct. 31, at Ferguson Field. Saginaw Valley Lutheran will visit Grayling for the contest, and the Vikings will attempt to pull out a win, if another close battle takes place.

This will be an emotional game for both teams, since the Vikings (2-6) and Valley Lutheran (3-5) will not qualify for the state playoffs. This will be the last high school game in the careers of the seniors on both squads.

"It will be an emotional game for our seniors," Coach Rodney Patterson said. "We want to end our season with a win for them."

The game on Halloween night also will be Parent's Night. The players and cheerleaders will recognize their parents at the game.

According to Patterson, weather could be a factor in the game. This late in October in northern Michigan could bring snow or other difficult weather conditions.

Grayling will attempt to rebound against Saginaw Valley Lutheran after losing a close contest to Gladwin on Friday, Oct. 24. Gladwin won the game, 20-9.

The Vikings were in the game and had a chance to take the lead in the first three quarters of action. Gladwin only had a 6-3 lead at half-time. The score ended up 20-9, but the game was actually closer with Gladwin scoring a late touchdown in the fourth quarter.

"It was anybody's game to the very end," Patterson said of the game. "We got another great effort from our players. The kids' tanks were 'on empty' at the end of the

game."

The Vikings' offense was inside the 15-yard line of Gladwin three times in the game, where Grayling did not get any points. That really hurt the Vikings' chances of beating Gladwin (5-3).

"We moved the ball very well from 30 (yard line) to 30 (yard line)," Patterson said. "We just couldn't execute to punch it in the end zone."

Quarterback Nate Beckwith, who also doubles as the team's field goal kicker, booted a 35-yard field goal through the uprights in the first half.

Beckwith completed a touchdown pass in the second half to bring the Vikings close on the scoreboard at the time. The junior quarterback hit sophomore wide receiver Nate Hinkle with a 39-yard pass for the touchdown.

Beckwith was 9-for-23 passing for 141 yards. He had the one touchdown pass and three interceptions.

Senior Travis Parkinson was the leading receiver and had a great all-around game. Parkinson caught five passes for 88 yards. He also had an interception, fumble recovery and seven tackles on defense.

The leading rusher for the Vikings was Jesse Hannum, who had 14 carries for 69 yards. Shane Colby added six carries for 35 yards. Beckwith finished with six carries for 41 yards.

Grayling played an outstanding defensive game.

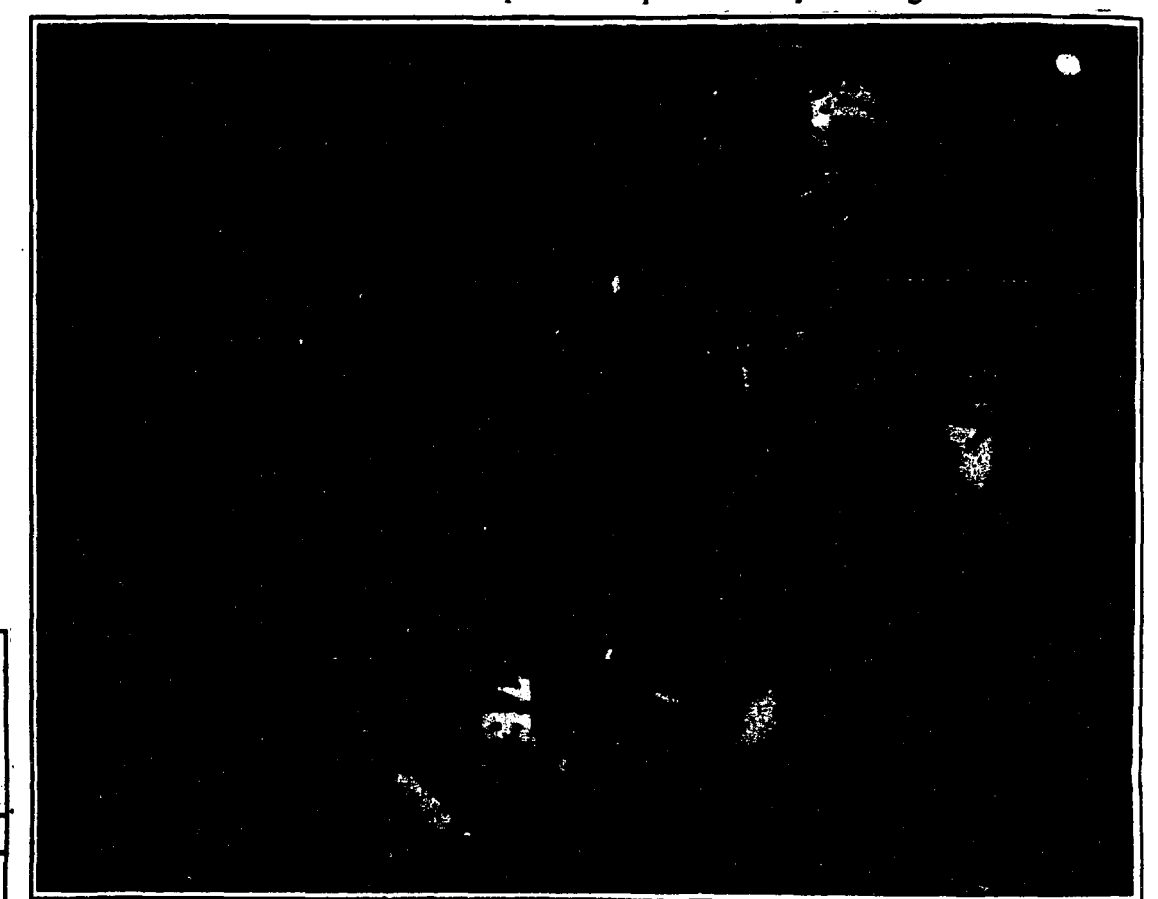
"We played extremely well defensively," Patterson said. "We played

as well as we could on defense."

Travis Beckett and Beckwith led the team in tackles with 12 each. Beckett also had a fumble recovery in the game.

Defensive end Brad Ritter finished with 11 tackles and had two quarterback sacks. Eli Tobin had eight tackles.

DEEP BALL -- Nate Beckwith (10) gets ready to let go of a deep pass during a recent home game. Shane Colby helps the linemen protect the quarterback by throwing a block.



RUNNING WIDE -- The Grayling junior varsity football team gained a lot of yards during the Oct. 23 home game by running sweeps and other running plays outside of the tackles. Pictured, running back Cameron McClain (45) goes around left end, due to some good blocking. One of the blocks was thrown by Dave Golnick (76), who watches McClain run by after dropping a defender with a block. The JV Vikings lost a good, offensive battle to Gladwin.

Photo by Eric Gaertner

Regionals end Viking runners' season

The Grayling cross country season came to an end on Saturday, Oct. 25, at the regional meet at Delta College in Saginaw. The last meet of the year brought to a close a season of great strides by the individual runners and the team.

"I'm happy with how the season turned out," Coach Keith Seybert said. "Six of our 10 runners ran faster than they have all season. I have watched continual improvement and times were faster when we needed it the most."

The Viking boys finished in 12th place at the regional meet. The girls only had four runners who competed, and a team needs five runners for the squad to score as a team.

The Grayling boys missed 10th place by only three points. They know they could have beat the two teams ahead of them to reach 10th, because they did it earlier in the season.

"At regionals, we finished three points behind Tawas and one point behind Standish-Sterling," Seybert said. "We beat both of these teams at our conference meet. I would have liked to finish ahead of these schools again, but I couldn't ask for better performances. The other teams ran really well too."

Mickey McClain had a team-best finish of 31st place in the regional meet. He finished with a time of 17:56. Jared Medler just missed joining McClain in the top 50 runners, as Medler finished in 53rd place with a time of 18:42.

The other Grayling varsity boys who finished the regional course were: Brett Black (19:10), James Jones (19:48), Paul Jansen (19:56) and Jason Boreo (19:58).

Mary Dobry led the girls' squad with a 38th-place finish. She crossed

the finish line in 22:23. Brooke Ginther was the second Viking girl to finish the course. She ended up in 51st place, finishing in 23:24.

Katie Olson shattered her season's best at the regional competition, finishing with a time of 24:39. This time was 42 seconds faster than she has ran in any other meet this season. Amy Doherty was the fourth runner for the Viking girls, finishing in 26:20.

The tune-up meet before the regionals was the Gaylord Invitational on Oct. 21. The times were slower by all of the runners, due to the very difficult weather conditions. It was a cold day with snow falling and a strong wind blowing.

The boys from Grayling had a great team finish, as the Vikings ended up in eighth place out of 15 Class A and Class B teams.

The top runner for the Grayling boys was McClain, who finished in 30th place with a time of 19:01. Medler did not finish too far behind, crossing the finish line in 19:32 for 51st place.


The other varsity competitors for the boys' squad were: Boreo (20:07), Black (20:27), Jansen (20:55), Jones (22:00) and Rob Dent (22:21). The JV runners were Adam Knapp (23:25) and John McNamara (28:34).

Ginther ended up 37th in the girls' race. She finished with a time of 24:22. Olson was the other varsity competitor for the Viking girls. She ended up 76th with a time of 26:37.

Doherty finished in the top 10 in the girls' JV race. She ended up ninth with a time of 28:45. Carrie Helebuyck also competed in the junior varsity race, ending up with a time of 33:31.

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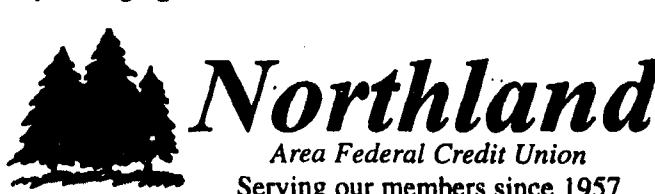


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OBITUARIES

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Lora "Jane" Carver

Lora "Jane" Carver, 62, of Big Rapids, opened her heart to God and His love when she joined Him in His Heavenly Home on Oct. 25, 1997.

She was born December 23, 1934, in Breckenridge, the daughter of Rueben and Cleo (Beck) Brush. She graduated from Grayling High School in 1952. On January 25, 1964, she married Harold W. Carver in Big Rapids, where she had lived since.

For many years, she worked at the Big Rapids City Hall, retiring from the Treasurer's Office in October, 1985. She was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, and was active in the American Legion Post #98 Ladies Auxiliary, of which she was president in 1969.

Mrs. Carver is survived by her husband, Harold; four daughters: Connie Morcom of Graylake, Ill., Mary Adams of Eureka, Ill., Carol (Kevin) Trombley of Midland, Nancy (Todd) Taylor of Goshen, Ind.; one son, Chuck of Grand Rapids;

grandchildren: Eric Randle, Nikki and Josh Adams, Jordan and Chance Trombley, and Ryan Taylor; her mother, Cleo Snyder of Lansing; sisters: Jean (Max) Kelly of Spring Hill, Fla., Merdene (Jack) Larson of Lansing; brothers: Chuck (Sally) Snyder of Saginaw, Wayne (Mary Alice) Brush of Belvidere, S.C.; and many dear nieces, nephews, and friends.

Funeral services were at 1 p.m., Oct. 29, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Big Rapids, with Rev. Pamela Miller officiating. Burial was at the Highland View Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Home Hospice.

BOWLING LEAGUE

American Men's League

McLean's Ace.....	35-21
Ty's Restaurant.....	32-24
Fenton's Auto.....	32-24
Upper Lakes.....	30-26
Auto Parts.....	28-28
Burnside RV.....	24-32
Northwood Land.....	21-35
Stitches by Sue.....	18-38
High Game: D. Canfield, 256; P. Faustman, 238; R. Mansfield, 226; M. Nunn, 214.	
High Series: P. Faustman, 607; L. Davis, 595; D. Canfield, 583.	

Senior Citizens League

Buccilli's Pizza.....	20-12
Tees "N" Such "R" Us 19 1/2 - 12 1/2	
Stevens Family Circle.....	18-14
Cornell Realty.....	18-14
Sylvester's Sports.....	16-16
Baynam Wood Products.....	15-17
Totten's Body Shop.....	14 1/2-17 1/2
Flowers by Josie.....	7-25
Men's High Game: O. Brantley, J. Porter, 200; H. Ingram, E. Wilde, 187.	
Men's High Series: H. Ingram, 519; E. Wilde, 489; D. Germain, 463.	
Women's High Game: B. Barrett, 175; P. Gellies, 172; A. Payne, 158.	
Women's High Series: R. Joyce, 447; P. Harris, 428; B. Barrett, 426.	

Northwood League

Rochette's.....	23
Millikin's.....	18 1/2
R. Calkins & Sons.....	18
Milltown Carpet.....	18
Wakeley's Auto Parts.....	17 1/2
Helsel Brothers.....	12
Rich's Cycle Service.....	11
R & M Masonry.....	10
High Game: T. Romain, 198; T. Jones, 193; L. Dannenberg, 527; T. Romain, 519; T. Jones, 517.	

Pioneer League

Millikin's.....	18 1/2-9 1/2
Chemical Bank.....	17-11
Aunt Betty's.....	15 1/2-12 1/2
Ginger's.....	15-13
Lady Slippers.....	15-13
Mercy Hospital.....	13 1/2-14 1/2
Avalanche.....	11 1/2-16 1/2
Custom Interior.....	6-22
High Game: M. Moshier, 207; I. Hatfield, 201; S. McMartin, 196.	
High Series: I. Hatfield, 515; L. G. Nick, 509; M. Moshier, 502.	

Comedy League

Clerk's.....	10-2
Nutty Professors.....	8-4
Black Sheep.....	8-4
Tin Cups.....	7-5
Spy's.....	7-5
Wild Natures.....	4-8
Space Jammers.....	4-8
Paul Bearers.....	0-12
High Game: Male K. Fedak, 163; Female K. Davis, 116.	
High Series: Male K. Fedak, 250; Female K. Davis, 200.	
Most Pins over Average: Male K. Fedak, 70; Female K. Davis, 32.	
Most Pins over Series:	

Cartoon League

Scooby Doo's.....	12-0
Ninja's.....	9-3
Looney Tunes.....	9-3
Aristocats.....	6-6
Goose Bumps.....	5-7
3 Stooges.....	4-8
Rug Rats.....	3-9
Flintstones.....	0-12
High Game: Male J. Dreasky, 112; Female S. Dunckley, 111.	
High Series: Male Phillip A. Jensen Dr. 195; Female S. Dunckley, 203.	
Most Pins over Average: Male R. Pease, 34; Female S. Dunckley, 27.	
Most Pins over Series: Male J. Pease, 23.	

Triangle League

Milltown Carpet.....	22-10
Moshier Auto Repair.....	20-12
Jackson Trio.....	20-12
C.S.I.....	18-14
Airway Automation.....	18-14
Cal Schreiber Bldr.....	13 1/2-18 1/2
Barber Construction.....	11 1/2-20 1/2
A Team.....	5-27
High Game: R. Hinds, 211; T. Devins, 201; S. Jackson, 189.	
High Series: R. Hinds, 531; T. Devins, 506; T. Everly, 504.	

Friday Night Mixed Doubles

Moshier Auto Repair.....	25-7
Suttles.....	19 1/2-12 1/2
Charles Country Corner.....	17-15
AJD Forest Products.....	17-15
Fick & Sons.....	16-16
A. Bulldog Towing.....	14 1/2-17 1/2
Aunt Betty's.....	11 1/2-20 1/2
Sawmill.....	6 1/2-25 1/2
Men's High Game: M. Campbell, 208; R. Schreiber, 204; D. Ray, 202.	
Men's High Series: M. Campbell, 520; R. Schreiber, 484; R. Moshier, 483.	
Women's High Game: S. Rioux, 209; Y. Schreiber, 200; K. Moshier, 180.	
Women's High Series: S. Rioux, 552; Y. Schreiber, 490; K. Moshier, 463.	

National League

Northern White Tail.....	25-7
Weyerhaeuser.....	17-15
Corky's, D.J. & Karaoke.....	17-15
Moore's Auto Parts.....	16-16
Forest Brothers.....	14-18
City Environmental.....	14-18
Legion & D. Ross Const.....	14-18
Guns & Grub.....	11-21
High Game: D. Canfield, 234; C. Golnick, 230; L. Barker, 224.	
High Series: D. Canfield, 610; L. Barker, 603; C. Golnick, 577.	

Action League

Lethal Weapons.....	12-4
Strike 2 Judgments.....	12-4
Men in Black.....	11-5
Women in Black.....	8-8
Phantoms.....	7-9
Natural Born Killers.....	5-11
J.C.'s 1st Strikers.....	5-11
Kung Fu Mania.....	4-12
High Game: Male D.J. Canfield, 192; Female N. Strohpaal, 187.	
High Series: Male D.J. Canfield, 448; Female N. Strohpaal, 443.	
Most Pins over Average: Male D.J. Canfield, 66; Female S. Davis, 43.	
Most Pins over Series: Male D.J. Canfield, 70; Female S. Davis, 83.	



LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No: 97-4295-CH(D)
TWO LAKES BUILDING CORPORATION,
Plaintiff
v.
CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation,
Defendants.
LAW OFFICES OF GERALD F. BRABANT, P.C.
By: Gerald F. Brabant P31123
Attorney for Plaintiff
241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35
Roscommon, MI 48653
(517) 275-4365

ORDER TO ANSWER
On the 10th day of September, 1997, an action was filed by Plaintiff, against Defendants in this court to pursue a judgement against the Defendants concerning the following described real property:

Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan: Lots 1, 10, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 32, 33, 36, and 41, LITTLE RICHARDS ESTATES, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, page 34, Crawford County Records.

Upon consideration of the Complaint of Plaintiff, attesting to the fact that the Defendants, CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation, addresses are unknown, and further that both corporations have not filed annual reports in the State of Michigan since 1985, that therefore service upon Defendants, CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation, of the Summons and copy of the Complaint in this action cannot otherwise be effectuated, and it appearing to the Court that the Defendants, CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation, can best be apprised of the pendency of this action by publication of this Order in a newspaper.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendants, CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation, shall file their answer with the Court and serve a copy of their answer on the LAW OFFICES

OF GERALD F. BRABANT, P.C., by Gerald F. Brabant, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35, Roscommon, MI 48653, or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 15th day of December, 1997 at 10:30 a.m. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgement by default against the Defendants. CARPENTER COOK COMPANY, a Michigan Corporation, and HANCOCK-NELSON MERCANTILE COMPANY, INC., a Minnesota Corporation, for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in the Crawford County Avalanche.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order be made within 14 days from the date of entry of this Order.

10/15/97
HONORABLE ALTON T. DAVIS
Circuit Court Judge
200 W. Michigan Avenue
Grayling, Michigan 49738
517-348-2841 ext. 200
-30-6-13-20-

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD CLAIMS NOTICE Independent Probate

File No. 94-5239 SE
Estate of Ruth E. Caid, Deceased 382-38-0298.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:

The decedent, whose last known address was 331 Meadows Drive, Grayling, Michigan 49738 died 11/21/96. An instrument dated 12/19/79 has been admitted as the will of the decedent. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Margie Thompson, 7297 K.P. Lake Rd., Grayling, Michigan 49738, or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, Grayling Michigan 49738, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

H. Keith DuBois (P-24717)
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STATE OF MICHIGAN 46th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT Order For Service By Publication/Posting And Notice on Action

Case No. 97-4335-CH
Judge Alton T. Davis
200 W. Michigan Avenue
Grayling, Michigan 49738
517-348-2841 ext. 200
Jean M. Lappala, Personal Representative of the Estate of Wesley August Emanuel Niemisto, Plaintiff
c/o The Heikkinen Law Firm, P.C.
110 N. Michigan Ave
Howell, Michigan 48843
Gregory O. Draais (P44458), Plaintiff's attorney
Law Office of Gregory O. Draais
110 1/2 N. Michigan Avenue
Howell, MI 48843

Elizabeth J. Ballman, as Trustee under Indenture of Trust dated November 4, 1975 between Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustor and Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustee.
Defendant
7720 Ravelle Drive
LaJolla, CA 92037
TO: Elizabeth J. Ballman, as Trustee under Indenture of Trust dated November 4, 1975 between Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustor and Elizabeth J. Ballman as Trustee.

IT IS ORDERED:
1. You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to Quiet Title to Real Estate located in Crawford County with tax id # 040-40-004-14-080-00. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before December 8, 1997. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in Crawford County Avalanche for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

3. A Court Officer shall post a copy of this order in the courthouse, and at the affected Realty which is identified as tax item #040-40-004-14-080-00 and which is described Land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, described as follows:

PARCEL "B" - Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 4, Town 26 North, Range 2 West; thence North 88 degrees 34 minutes West along the 1/4 line 2158.1 feet to the Place of Beginning; thence North 88 degrees 34 minutes West along the 1/4 line 240.0 feet, thence South 2 degrees 00 minutes 45 seconds West 438.85 feet to the Northerly bank of the AuSable River; thence along the river the following courses; South 74 degrees 19 minutes East 171.9 feet; South 39 degrees 54 minutes East 115.0 feet; thence North 1 degree 37 minutes 20 seconds East 567.5 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 4, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Said parcel extends to the waters edge of the AuSable River, with full riparian rights thereto.

For three consecutive weeks, and shall file proof of posting in this court.

4. A copy of this order shall be sent to Defendant at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication, and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this court.

10/15/97

S/Alton T. Davis (P-24472)

200 W. Michigan Avenue

Grayling, Michigan 49738

517-348-2841 ext. 200

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LEGAL ACTION

MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP NOTICE FOR BIDS

Maple Forest Township will be accepting bids for snow plowing the township hall driveway and parking area for the 1997-98 winter season until 5 pm Friday, November 7, 1997. Bids may be sent to the township supervisor, Mark Kniss, at 7416 N. Sherman Rd., Frederic, MI 49733. Bids may be written for multiple years.

Maple Forest Township Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept other than a low bid and to make decisions that will be in the best interest of Maple Forest Township.

Susan M. Keene
Maple Forest Township Clerk
-18-23-30

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS ON JUNIPER WAY

The Grayling Township Board will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on November 18, 1997, beginning at 8 pm, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (M-72 West). Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the necessity of the following request:

A request by property owners on Juniper Way, Section 9, T26N, R3W, for the creation of a Special Assessment District for Maintenance of Juniper Way. Maintenance to include snowplowing, grading and gravel.

Special Assessment file and estimates are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361 or FAX (517) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk
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MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Maple Forest Township Board will be accepting bids for Custodial Services for the township hall until 5 pm Saturday, November 8, 1997. Bids may be for multiple years and based on the requirements listed below. Please send bids to the Township Clerk, Susan Keene, 8802 N. Petersen Rd., Frederic, MI 49733.

--New office addition and kitchen area including bathrooms - weekly.
--Main hall area - as needed.
--Spring cleaning of entire building - once a year.
Vacuum and cleaning supplies will be supplied by the township.
Compensation for services rendered will be paid at each monthly regular township board meeting.

Maple Forest Township Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept other than a low bid and to make decisions that will be in the best interest of Maple Forest Township.

Susan M. Keene
Maple Forest Township Clerk
-30-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No: 96-4100-CK(D)
ERVIN C. CAMPBELL and JEANETTE B. CAMPBELL, husband and wife,
Plaintiff

v.
ROMANA F. PELLETIER, DIANE L. MALLON, et al,
Defendants
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.,
By: William L. Carey (P31602)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2375 S. I-75 Business Loop,
P.O. Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738
517-348-5232

Notice of Land Contract Foreclosure By Sale

CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered in the above-entitled cause on the 9th day of September, 1997, notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 5th day of December, 1997 at 10:00 in the forenoon, the following described property, located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to wit:

PARCEL #16: Being a part of Section 19, T26N, R2W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: commencing at the NW corner of said Section 19; thence S89 degrees 15' 30"E along the Section line, 942.3 feet; thence S0 degrees 98:15:W, 670.8 feet for Point of Beginning; thence S89 degrees 15' 30"E, 1299.92 feet; thence S0 degrees 10' 20"W, 335.4 feet; thence N89 degrees 15' 30"W, 1299.55 feet; thence N0 degrees 09' 15"E, 335.4 feet to Point of Beginning and contains 10.01 acres of land. SUBJECT to a 33.0 foot easement for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over the Easterly side thereof. EXCEPTING & RESERVING all oil, gas and mineral rights of every kind and nature and all rights pertaining thereto.

CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
By: William L. Carey (P31602)
Attorney for Plaintiff
2375 S. I-75 Business Loop,
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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Karen A. MacDonald, a single person to United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgage, dated October 22, 1976 and recorded on October 26, 1976 in Liber 156, on Page 107, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the BANKERS TRUST AS TRUSTEE for the Rural Housing Trust 1987-1, as assignee by an assignment dated November 19, 1987 which was recorded on November 25, 1987, in Liber 270, on Page 300, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred One And 34/100 dollars (\$9,301.34), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on November 12, 1997.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lots One (1) and Two (2), Block Twenty (20) Ruffee's Addition to the Village, new City of Grayling, a subdivision of part of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 7, T26N, R3W, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 page 11, Plats, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 2, 1997
BANKERS TRUST AS TRUSTEE
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
(248) 642-4202
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for BANKERS TRUST AS TRUSTEE,
30150 Telegraph
Suite 100
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48026
File #97097384

-2-9-16-23-30-6

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE ORDINANCE TO ENFORCE STATE MECHANICAL CODE Ordinance No. 97-6

An ordinance to designate an enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Grayling under the provisions of the State Construction Code Act (Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended.)

The Township of Grayling ordains:

Section 1. AGENCY DESIGNATED. Pursuant to the provision of the Michigan Mechanical Code, in accordance with Section 9 of Act 230, P.A. 1972, as amended, the Mechanical Official of the Township of Grayling is hereby designated as the enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Grayling under Act 230, P.A., 1972, as amended, State of Michigan. The Township of Grayling assumes responsibility for the administration and enforcement of said Act throughout its corporate limits.

Section 2. REPEALS. All ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. PUBLICATION. This ordinance shall be effective after legal publication and in accordance with provisions of the Act governing same.

Adopted this 14th day of October, 1997.

This ordinance duly adopted on October 14, 1997, at a regular meeting of the Grayling Township Board and will become effective November 30, 1997.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk
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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE ORDINANCE TO ENFORCE STATE PLUMBING CODE Ordinance No. 97-7

An ordinance to designate an enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Grayling under the provisions of the State Construction Code Act (Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended.)

The Township of Grayling ordains:

Section 1. AGENCY DESIGNATED. Pursuant to the provision of the Michigan Plumbing Code, in accordance with Section 9 of Act 230, P.A. 1972, as amended, the Plumbing Official of the Township of Grayling is hereby designated as the enforcing agency to discharge the responsibility of the Township of Grayling under Act 230, P.A., 1972, as amended, State of Michigan. The Township of Grayling assumes responsibility for the administration and enforcement of said Act throughout its corporate limits.

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MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William PETERS and Delores PETERS, husband and wife to OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY (f/k/a Old Kent Bank of Gaylord, a Michigan Corporation). Mortgage, dated November 13, 1992 and recorded on November 30, 1992 in Liber 351, on Page 431, Crawford County Records Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Six And 70/100 dollars (\$26,976.70), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on December 3, 1997.

Said premises are situated in CITY of GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 7 and 8, Block 6 Ruffee's Addition to the Village (new City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 23, 1997
OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
(248) 642-4202
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for OLD KENT MORTGAGE COMPANY,
30150 Telegraph
Suite 100
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025
File #9710791

-23-30-6-13-20

Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel D. WEBB and Shirley A. WEBB, his wife to CITIZENS BANK (an GRAYLING STATE BANK. Mortgage, dated July 12, 1992 and recorded on July 13, 1992 in Liber 229, on Page 134, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and modified by Extension and Modification Agreement dated July 12, 1992, recorded on July 14, 1992 in Liber 345, Page 12, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Four and 79/100 dollars (\$49,004.79), including interest at 8.50% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on November 26, 1997.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP of GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, described as follows:

Part of the East 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 11, thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes West (along the E & W 1/4 line), 1982.25 feet, thence North 1 degree 16 minutes East, 348.43 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence containing North 1 degree

16 minutes East, 116.95 feet, thence North 87 degrees 39 minutes East, 41.35 feet, thence North 1 degree 16 minutes East, 33.1 feet, thence North 89 degrees 45 minutes East, 24.65 feet, thence North 1 degree 16 minutes East, 159.20 feet to the right bank of the AuSable River, thence North 58 degrees 15 minutes 23 seconds East (along the River Bank), 139.38 feet, thence South 79 degrees 09 minutes 08 seconds East (along said River Bank), 44.60 feet, thence South 3 degrees 48 minutes 52 seconds West 347.96 feet, thence South 82 degrees 18 minutes 52 seconds West, 214.08 feet to the Point of Beginning. This parcel extends to the waters edge of the AuSable River.

ALSO USE OF AND SUBJECT TO A 20 foot easement for ingress and egress along existing trail road, lying 10 feet each side of a line described as Commencing at the Southwest corner of the North 1/2 of Northeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4 of Southeast 1/4 of this Section 11, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 43 seconds East, 105.23 feet, to the Point Beginning; thence North 10 degrees 11 minutes East, 355 feet, thence North 3 degrees 55 minutes East, 210 feet, thence North 16 degrees 01 minute East, 255 feet to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 16, 1997.
CITIZENS BANK,
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
(248) 642-4202
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for CITIZENS BANK,
30150 Telegraph
Suite 100
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025
File #97097728

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City of Grayling

ELECTION NOTICE

To the Qualified Electors of the
City of Grayling, County of
Crawford, State of Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A GENERAL CITY
ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE GRAYLING CITY HALL,
103 JAMES STREET

On

Tuesday, November 4, 1997

From 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of voting for the election of the following officers, viz:

**Two (2) City Council Members
4 Year Term**

1. D. J. Brown
3. Roger A. Moshier
2. Jerry W. Hayes
4. Marilyn Palmer

**All registered voters of the City of Grayling,
will be permitted to vote.**

**Polls will be open from 7 am until 8 pm.
Applications for absentee ballots are being received.**

**Jerry W. Morford
City Manager and City Clerk**

-23-30-

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of Oct. 26-Nov. 1

ARIES March 21-April 20

Home and family situations improve even as pressure increases at work. A deadline looms for an important project. Take a deep breath and dig in. That's the only way you stay on top of things. Friends and loved ones are understanding. Keep in touch with someone from the past.

TAURUS April 21-May 21

Mystery and intrigue are major factors right now. The clues are there, you just need to follow them and put everything together. Someone in authority is looking out for you and working on your behalf. Take some time away with friends or family to put things in perspective.

GEMINI May 22-June 21

Your powers of persuasion are in high gear. People will be attracted to you and your cause, even the ones who were most skeptical at the start. Some who support you may have their own agenda. Know this and refuse to be duped. An unlikely source offers advice and support with a major purchase.

CANCER June 22-July 22

You rebound from a recent setback and are headed back stronger than ever. You'll also get out from under a burden that never belonged to you in the first place. Organize your priorities and keep focused on your goals. A short trip with a friend or loved one could be an exciting bonding experience.

LEO July 23-August 23

Take the initiative. Starting fresh or heading in a new direction could pay big dividends. Refuse to get bogged down in the same old routine. Look at life in a different light. Be gracious when a friend repays an old debt. You will be the peacemaker in a family dispute.

VIRGO August 24-September 22

You need to know what you want before you can go after it. Look behind the scenes for the answers you need to make an important decision. Keep an eye on money and budgets. Someone may be trying to pull a fast one. Be careful. Accept your admirer will come to you for advice and encouragement.

LIBRA September 23-October 23

You have been the focus of attention. People have been watching and listening to you. Now comes the time when you have to put words and ideas into practice. Timing is crucial. It's also important to keep your good humor. Take time to cheer up a close friend.

SCORPIO October 24-November 22

Finish up paperwork and study the fine print. Your intuition is on target and others look to you for support. You may need to revise previous opinions as new information comes out. Your popularity increases. A family member will come through in a pinch.

SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

Emotions are running high. Be sure to give logic equal time. Don't say or do things you'll regret later. It might be wise to step away for a while and try to be the objective party. You may be too caught up in the situation. Treat yourself to a small luxury or indulgence, but watch for a bargain.

CAPRICORN December 22-January 20

Home and property are a top priority now. Don't put off small projects and repairs—they'll only grow into costly problems. Things may be quiet at work, but changes are brewing. Work behind the scenes to get your message out. A loved one offers much-needed support and encouragement.

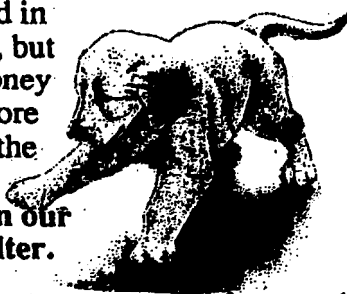
AQUARIUS January 21-February 18

Now is not the time to deceive yourself. See friends and family members as they really are. Be realistic. Don't be afraid to stand up for what you think is right. People on your side don't always have your best interest at heart. Be willing to compromise on minor issues.

PISCES February 19-March 20

Analytical communication skills are crucial now. Your beliefs and opinions are on target. You're on a roll at home and gaining status at work, too. Now could be the time to make the break you've been thinking about. Keep an eye on your budget, but don't hold the purse strings too tightly.

Are you interested in getting a new pet, but don't have the money to pay high pet store prices? We have the perfect solution: Adopt a pet from our local animal shelter.



Our shelter has a variety of cats and dogs that don't have a home or a loving family to care for them. Come and take a look at these animals that are just waiting to be loved by your family. You're sure to fall in love with at least one!



Animal Shelter of Crawford County
508 1/2 Huron St.
348-4117

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Autumn Pumpkin Pasta

(Makes 1 pound of pasta, serves four to six as main course)

Pasta

- 1 1/3 C. semolina flour
- 2/3 C. unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1/2 t. salt
- 2 eggs (room temperature)
- 1.3 C. pumpkin puree
- 1/8 t. ground nutmeg

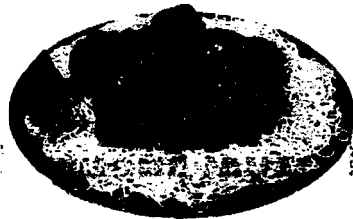
Sauce

- Creamy Gorgonzola
- 1 1/3 C. heavy cream
- 4 fresh rosemary sprigs
- 4 oz. Gorgonzola cheese, crumbled

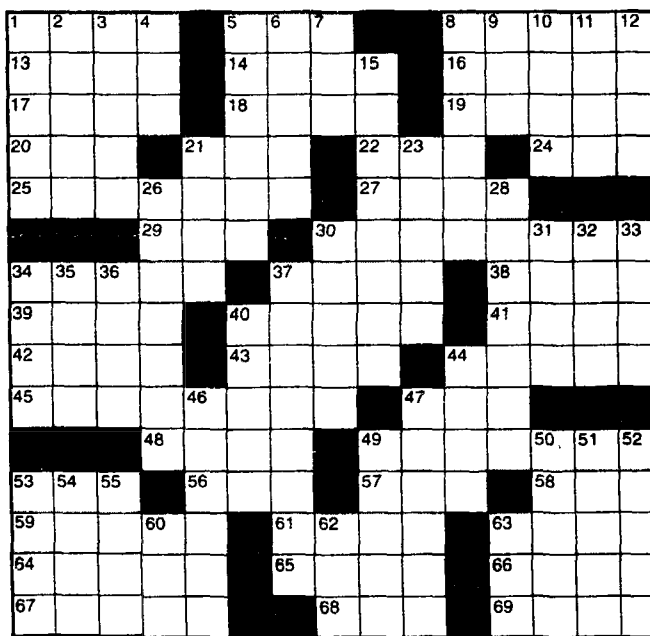
Bring the cream and one sprig to a boil. Simmer until reduced by about one-third (approximately 15 minutes).

Remove from heat and discard sprig. Stir in Gorgonzola until melted completely. Salt and pepper to taste. Remove from heat but keep warm.

In a warm bowl, combine freshly-made pumpkin fettuccine (cooked for 2 minutes) with sauce. Mix well and garnish with rosemary.



CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1. Kvetch
- 5. Polly Holliday role
- 8. Velodrome vehicles
- 13. State that means "great river"
- 14. The Wild
- 16. Angered
- 17. Cartoonist Disney
- 18. Ancient times
- 19. Ancient physician
- 20. Earlier, in verse
- 21. Roofing metal
- 22. in the manger
- 24. Rough count (abbr.)
- 25. Blushes
- 27. Actress Ellen
- 29. Bad newspaper, slangily
- 30. Goodman's stick
- 34. Hammering surface
- 37. Pert girl
- 38. In the neighborhood
- 39. Type of bouillon
- 40. Smoothing tool
- 41. Facts and figures
- 42. Exude
- 43. Smoker's halo
- 44. Inebriated
- 45. Unprejudiced
- 47. Usher's creator
- 48. "Round's over" signal
- 49. Rushes
- 53. Capture
- 56. Emulate Tomba

- 57. Artist Yoko
- 58. JFK, to RFK
- 59. Persian
- 61. Publisher Condé
- 63. Operator
- 64. Panama seaport
- 65. Delight
- 66. Amish, e.g.
- 67. Patrick of the Knicks (abbr.)
- 68. "Fireside Chat" man (abbr.)
- 69. Termites' kin

DOWN

- 1. Grass cutter
- 2. Chicago airport
- 3. Felt unwell
- 4. Touch-me
- 5. Sauteeing
- 6. Jaworski and Spinks
- 7. Scull
- 8. Grander
- 9. Paul's cousin on "Mad About You"
- 10. Cabbagelike plant
- 11. French summers
- 12. Transported
- 15. Selling door-to-door
- 21. Blue shade
- 23. Lecture
- 26. Digressed
- 28. More gusty
- 30. Canticle
- 31. tide
- 32. Munchies
- 33. Automat item

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 YEARS AGO October 31, 1974

Alfred J. (Bud) Sorenson, president of the Sorenson Funeral Home and vice chairman of the Michigan State Board of Mortuary Science was elected a director of the National Conference of Funeral Examining Board and appointed to the American Board of Funeral Services Education.

Airman Daniel J. McIssac, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving D. McIssac graduated from the U.S. Air Force aircraft mechanic course at Sheppard AFB, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Welsh celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Vollmer of Frederic announce the arrival of Michael Irvin born on Oct. 23, 1974.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory McClain of Grayling announce the arrival of Lori Ann born on Oct. 24, 1974.

Mr. and Mrs. David Meyers of Grayling announce the arrival of Richard Otto born on Oct. 27, 1974.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Denno of Grayling announce the arrival of Jodi Michelle born on Oct. 28, 1974.

Melvin J. McKeon, president COOR Area Retarded Children's Association has been named campaign chairman for Retarded Citizens Month.

Susan Schoen, a junior at Central Michigan University, is a member of the 1974 Chippewa Cheerleading squad.

George Wilcox's celebrated his 74th birthday.

Brad Peterson left to enter Sanford Naval Academy in Sanford, Florida.

Linda Goodrick celebrated her 80th birthday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Trudgeon of Grayling.

Last winter for motorists to use studded tires. After April 1, 1975, metal tire studs of the type used in Michigan will be banned.

Mr. and Mrs. (former Blanche San Cartier) Cletus J. St. Pierre of Battle Creek celebrated their 60th anniversary.

46 YEARS AGO November 1, 1951

"A Couple of Country Kids" is the title of the senior play to be given at the high school at eight o'clock Thursday evening, Nov. 8th. Admission is adults 50 cents and children 35 cents.

The Grayling Chamber of Commerce elected Dr. L. F. Hayes as president for the ensuing year at a meeting held at the Council Rooms at the City Hall last Wednesday. Joseph Stripe was named vice-president and Jerome Kessler as secretary-treasurer.

Roy Reava and Stanley Hummel have been promoted to corporals. Roy and Stanley are stationed at Wolters Air Force Base, Mineral Wells, Tex.

Robert Strong and Whitey Madsen attended the Pittsburg vs. Michigan State football game in East Lansing, Saturday. Sandy Strong accompanied them and spent the day in Okemos visiting Miss Diane McDonald.

Arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Forshee a baby girl on October 24. She will be known as Linda Marie.

Dick Souders has completed his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill., and arrived home Friday evening to spend two weeks leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Souders and sister, Miss Shirlee. Following his leave he is to return to Great Lakes en route for Jacksonville, Fla. for an eight week course in fundamental mechanics. Dick has earned the rating of airman apprentice.

Dane Madsen was three years old on Monday and his mother, Mrs. Whitey Madsen invited eight little boys and girls to help him celebrate the occasion. Decorations in the Halloween motif were used to make a festive setting for the party.

69 YEARS AGO November 1, 1928

Mrs. Alfred Hermann of Lansing is spending two weeks at the home of her parents, Postmaster and Mrs. M. A. Bates.

Mrs. Wilfred Laurant entertained boys and girls at a Halloween party in honor of her brother, Reginald Sheehy last evening. A peanut hunt and games were enjoyed and Eleanore Gorman and Arthur May were winners in the gum contest.

Mrs. James Reynolds, Sr., is nursing some bad bruises as the result of falling down the cellar stairs at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Nadeau and Miss Odie Sheehy motored to Saginaw Friday and visited the Einer Rasmussen family.

Miss Agnes Hanson returned home Monday from a two week vacation spent in Detroit visiting her sister, Miss Engeborg Hanson. She resumed her duties at the S. B. Variety Store Monday.

Mrs. Mary Turner enjoyed a visit from her brother, Alex Moore of Smithville, Ontario for two weeks.

Mrs. Augusta Walt recently accepted a position in the Auditing Department of Michigan Central Railroad Co., of Detroit and is making her home with her sister, Mrs. Wilfred Cohen.

The Halloween party was such a success at the Beaver Creek Town Hall Saturday night that John LaMotte, manager, has decided to give a hard times party Saturday night.

92 YEARS AGO October 26, 1905

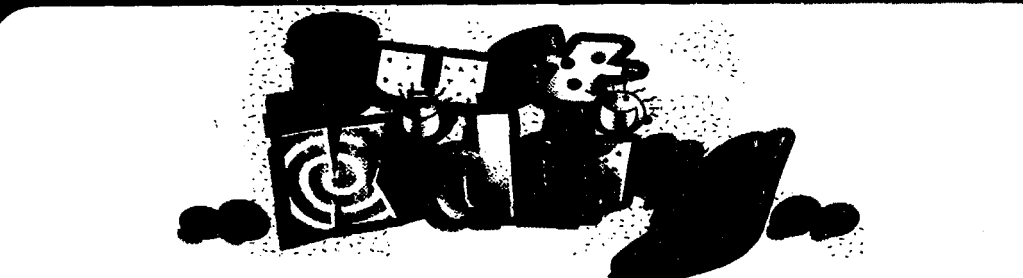
A girl at Fairbotham's and Wm's broad smile is still broader.

Miss Claire Redhead of Judges is visiting friends in the village for a week of two.

The ground was white with snow for a few hours last Saturday evening giving us just a taste of what is to come.

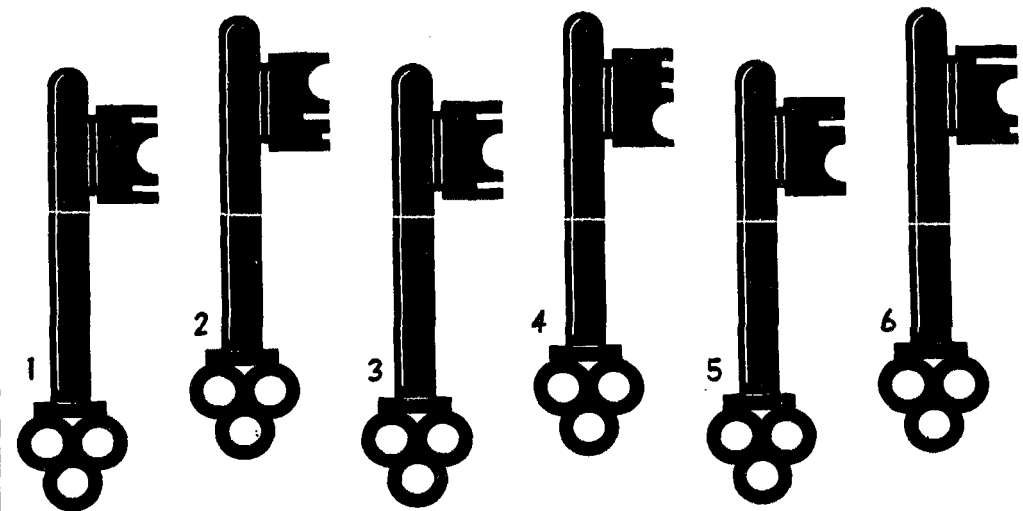
H.A. Bauman has resigned his position on the school board and Marius Hanson is appointed in his place.

Nels P. Larson was made glad last week by the arrival of his brother from the Fatherland, whom he had not seen since he was seven years old.



FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



ANSWERS: ONE AND THREE

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Precip
10/22	43	27	0.24
10/23	32	28	0.15
10/24	41	29	0
10/25	39	28	0
10/26	39	26	0
10/27	36	22	0.24
10/28	31	18	0

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LOG HOME ON THE AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM 2.8 acres with secluded 267' frontage, 2,286 sq. ft. with vaulted beamed ceilings, master bedroom suite with Jacuzzi & steam bath, marble & pine flooring, split-stone fireplace, brick foyer, custom lighting, swimming pool, hot tub, satellite, shuffleboard court, sprinkling system, brick BBQ, central A/C. Many other extras. Looking for that unique property. Reduced, \$249,000. CH-441



SECLUDED RIVERFRONT HOME OFFERS 1,600 SQ. FT. Two bedrooms with hardwood floors, living room offers knotty pine walls, two garages, two basements with separate entrances, cyclone-fenced yard, fenced garden area, beautiful mixture of trees with babbling creek running through, 100' on the famed "Holy Waters" of the AuSable Mainstream, on 3.63 acres. \$97,500, reduced. CS-493



LAKE MARGRETHE 50' sandy beach frontage, full-log, two bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, enclosed porch patio, hardwood floors, fieldstone fireplace, complete with dock, furniture, appliances, rustic knotty pine interior. Reduced to \$99,500. CH-251



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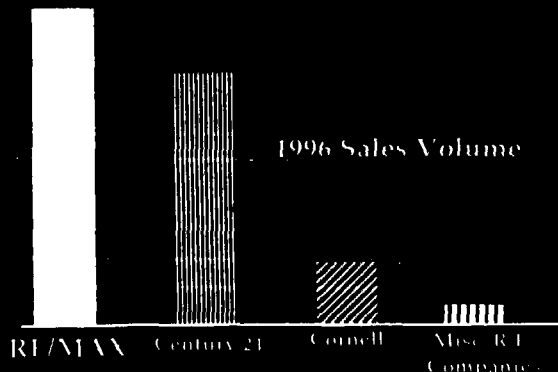
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1. Real Estate

AUSABLE COUNTRY ACRES a log home association development, only 13 of 15 wooded lots left. Park, cable, underground utilities, near AuSable River and Kneff Lake. Contact 517-348-7355, Grayling. 10/30/97t/1

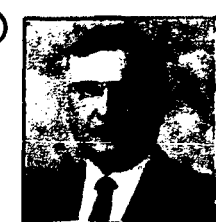
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HOUSE FOR SALE by owner. Four bedroom, two bath, rec. room, double lot, 24' x 32' detached garage. Grayling, MI subdivision. Price reduced from \$80,000 to \$75,000. 517-348-5365. -16-23-30/1

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IDEAL FOR A LODGE, DAY CARE OR GROUP HOME Large rooms are a feature of this home situated on 40 acres. Satellite dish, Jenn-Air range, marble bathtub, woodburning furnace in the basement, 24x36 pole barn. 40 acres backs up to state land near Kneff Lake. \$180,000. #JG-577



BEAUTIFUL VIEWS COME WITH THIS affordable cottage with 166' frontage on AuSable River. This cottage has three bedrooms and beautiful views of the river. Beautiful oak, birch, pine and high-bank frontage with 2.2 acres. Close to Grayling. \$57,000. #BSO-653



LOCATION-LOCATION-LOCATION This four-bedroom home offers kitchen with center island and ceramic tile, berber carpeting, large bedrooms, beautiful landscaped lot. There is a family bonus room to be completed above the two-car attached garage. All this for the asking price of \$129,900. #BSO-620



CAPE COD BUILT IN 1994, HAS 6 LARGE ROOMS Across from state land. View and access to Lake Margrethe. Natural gas hot-water heat, two full baths. Ceramic tile, wood and carpeted floors. Victorian woodwork and 6-panel doors. White on white G.E. kitchen. Full basement with 8-ft. ceiling. Gas fireplace. Terraced backyard with large deck. \$179,500. #JG-564



TASTEFULLY DECORATED COLONIAL-STYLE HOME Offers 2,545' wonderful kitchen with many built-ins, formal dining room, living room, family room, four large bedrooms, master bedroom suite, 2.5 baths, fireplace with custom glass front, screened porch, finished bonus room over attached two-car garage, situated on beautiful wooded property one mile from city. \$153,000. KM-457

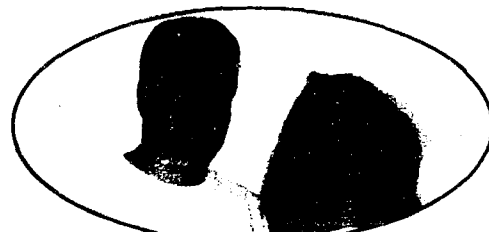
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NICE COZY two bedroom home on five acres. Gas heat, close to river, cable hook-up, minutes from town. \$400 per month plus deposit. Call K. 348-4864. -10/23/97tf/2

SMALL HOUSE 1/2 BLOCK to Lake Margrethe. Two bedroom, one bath, back yard, carpeted, appliances. \$395 a month plus utilities, one month security deposit. No pets, prefer non-smoker. Call 348-2610 or 348-5838. 10/9/97tf/2

HUNTERS GET MORE "bang for your buck". Two bedroom house near state land, party store, AuSable River. Weekend or weekly. Grayling area 517-348-7355. 10/2/97tf/2

THREE BEDROOM HOME. Two full bath rooms, with two car garage on 2 1/2 acres with wood and gas heat. Includes stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer. Close to town. Call after 5 p.m. For more information call 517-348-3188. -23-30/2

CABIN FOR RENT: on the river. Nightly or weekly. 517-348-8350. 9/9/97tf/2

FOR SALE BY BUILDER: Jones Lake Rd. Three-four bedrooms, attached garage, quality construction, 1,520 square ft., \$112,000. Call Dave Wyman 517-348-8568. 9/8/97tf/2

JUST COMPLETED THREE BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath, two car garage, natural gas heat. Two miles from Grayling. \$85,000. 333 Redwing Terrace. Call 348-2928 or 348-8945. -10/23/97tf/1

15 ACRES HARDWOODS beautiful rolling land, excellent hunting, camping, buildable. L/C possible. \$19,900. 5 miles N.E. Grayling. 517-348-9686. -30/1

NICE BUILDING SITES 30 acres N.E. of Grayling. Near junction of 612 and Sherman Rd. All high and dry. 2/3 wooded, nice hill. Call 517-379-4012, Owner/Broker -23-30-6-13/1

FOR SALE BY OWNER. two bedroom, one bath, vacant. 300 Huron St. (one block from Cornell Insurance on M-72 East) \$44,500. 348-4055. 10/16/97tf/1

AUSABLE RIVER home on Wendy Lane. Lovely four bedroom, 1 1/2 baths. Chalet. Fireplace, attached 1 1/2 car garage. Furnished. Beautiful setting on 10 acres with 175 ft. frontage. Owner very anxious. Reduced to \$139,000. Call Hamrick Real Estate Co. P.C. 517-348-5433, evenings 348-8336. 10-16-97tf/1

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2. For Rent

ONE BEDROOM EFFICIENCY. One mile from town. \$285 per month, plus deposit. Includes utilities, trash pick up, snow plowing. 348-8713 after 5 p.m. -10/23/97tf/2

CLEAN TWO BEDROOM mobile home, 2 miles from town. \$350 per month. Security deposit required. References required. No pets. 348-8386. -23-30/2

FOR RENT: two bedroom, one bath, fifteen minutes from Grayling. Newer, very clean. \$460 a month. First and last months, credit report obtained. 517-732-2353 week days. 517-939-8965 evenings and weekends. -30-6/2

FOR RENT: Year round cottage with Lake Margrethe access, furnished, two bedroom, one bath, partial basement with two car garage. \$500 a month. \$600 security deposit. 419-825-1451. -30/2

FOR RENT: Three bedroom house, 1 1/2 car garage. 17 miles east of Grayling. No pets. 517-348-6027 \$500/month plus security. -30-6/2

2. For Rent

TWO BEDROOM BARRIER FREE apartment at 401 Ingham, lower level, well maintained, security light, laundry in building. Section 8 acceptable. \$445. Call Ron at 348-6761. -10/16/97tf/2

APARTMENT FOR RENT - One bedroom, furnished if needed. Parking for one car. \$375 monthly, including utilities. Deposit required. 810-235-4164. -10/16/97tf/2

FOR RENT FREDERIC Small two bedroom house. \$375 plus \$375 security deposit. 517-732-8673. -30/2

ONE BEDROOM small home. Washer, dryer, refrigerator, stove. \$350 per month, includes heat. 348-6938. -30/2

GRAYLING - Two bedroom, 2 1/2 car attached garage. Washer, dryer connections, large fenced in yard. \$450 mo. plus utilities, \$400 security. 806 Elm St. 348-4716. -30/2

HUNTING CAMP, 10-80 acres w/ cabins can divide. Surrounded by state land. 814-112K. N. Grayling, MI. Financing poss. 616-947-1990. -30-6-13/1

3. Employment

FLOOR COVERING INSTALLERS NEEDED for vinyl, hardwood, carpet and ceramic tile. Minimum five years experience, must have own van, tools, workmens comp. Call 517-732-7728 or 517-732-2691. 10/9/97tf/3

HERE IS AN EXCELLENT opportunity with a growing company. We are seeking a qualified two-way radio technician and installer with at least five years of previous radio experience. Your territory would be from Houghton Lake east. This position offers a full benefit package, a vehicle and a competitive salary. If you have previous radio repair experience and have the self-motivation to get the job done, send resume and credentials to: SEC, 2682 Garfield Rd., N., Suite 22, Traverse City, MI 49686. -30-6/3

WANTED PEOPLE WHO DESIRE an opportunity to grow. We are now hiring for the following positions: RN/LPN, CENA - all shifts, full time; also taking applications for those desiring to become a competency evaluated nursing assistant. Classes tentatively scheduled for here in November. Apply in person at the Meadows Of Grayling, 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling, MI. -30-6-13/3

RNS/LPNS: Munson Home Health - Private Services needs ventilator trained staff in the Lake City area. Call 800-968-2011 and ask for Jewel or Ardith to set up an appointment for an interview. -30-6/3

NEW BRANCH of growing home medical equipment and respiratory company in Houghton Lake seeks applicants for positions of showroom coordinator and equipment technician for full-time and part-time, days and on-call coverage. Experience LPN, RT, Paramedic or Equipment Technician preferred. Medical experience required. Send resume to: MidMichigan Visiting Nurse Support Services, Human Resources - B, 3007 N. Saginaw Road, Midland, MI 48640. -30-6/3

3. Employment

RAIL AGENTS: A statewide agency is looking for full time and part time rail posting agents. Local representation includes travel to surrounding counties, training, benefits, salary and incentives. Serious inquiries only. Fax resume to: 1-800-440-2245. -30-6/3

PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST needed for busy physician office, 20 plus hours per week. Candidate must be people oriented with excellent telephone and computer skills. Send resume with cover letter to Attn: Office Manager, P.O. Box 418 Grayling, MI 49738 -30-6-13/3

PART-TIME X-RAY Technician. Some weekends, carrying for Geriatric patient population. 20-30 hours a week. Send resume to Personnel Department, 200 Huron, Suite 100, Grayling, MI 49738. -30-6/3

BIG BUCK BREWRY has openings for greeters, dishwasher's, and also a delivery person for brewery. Must have class A CDL or ability to obtain one. Flexible hours, excellent pay, apply in person in Gaylord, Thursday's from 2-4 p.m. -30-6/3

OFFICE HELP WANTED! Mature person for office receptionist, answer phone, typing, filing and some knowledge of Micro-Soft Word and Excel. Hours would be 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Good wages and benefits after 30 days. Please send resume to: Human Resource, P.O. Box 707, Grayling, MI 49738. -30/3

OFFICE POSITION. Must be experienced in accounts receivable, accounts payable and pay roll. Must have good computer and customer relation skills and be detail oriented. Grayling area, good benefits. Send resume and salary history to: Attn: S.G., PO Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. -23-30/3

4. Services Offered

SNOW PLOWING AVAILABLE in Crawford County. 10 years experience. Very reliable. 348-6773. -23-30-6-13/4

HOUSEKEEPING Fall cleaning. Get ready for the holidays. Also, full or part-time house cleaning. References upon request. Call Cheryl. 348-2442. -23-30/4

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I WILL DO SNOWPLOWING in Grayling area. Residential and commercial. Call 348-2938. Ask for Fred. -16-23-30/4

ADVERTISE STATEWIDE: \$239 buys a 25-word classified ad (\$5 for each additional word) offering a 1,700,000 circulation in newspapers across Michigan. Call the **Avalanche** at 348-6811 for details..

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3. Employment

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SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP is seeking a full-time and part-time position. Training is provided. Contact the Township Clerk, (517) 275-8222, or PMS Lewis at (517) 275-8714. -10-23-30/3

SALES POSITION AVAILABLE

FARM BUREAU INSURANCE, has a career opportunity for you in Grayling. I will be interviewing men and women who are interested in securing a full-time, multi-line agent position. You will become licensed, in life, auto, home and commercial insurance, with one of the most familiar names in insurance for Michigan. We offer advanced training, licensing, salary, commissions, bonuses and a very nice benefit package. Insurance experience is not necessary, but prior sales, and some college preferred. Call 1-517-731-0052 to set up a confidential interview.



GRAYLING MERCY AMICARE HOME HEALTHCARE AND HOSPICE SERVICES

GRAYLING MERCY AMICARE HOME CARE & HOSPICE IS seeking applications for the following positions:
Home Care & Hospice is seeking a full-time Receptionist for the office. Duties include receiving incoming phone calls and relaying them to the appropriate department, mail responsibilities, fax distribution, light typing, and providing general information regarding services. Must have professional communication skills via telephone and in person.
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CENA positions open on all shifts in a 61-bed Long-Term-Care facility. Excellent benefits and wages while working in a home-like environment. Apply today, at King Nursing Centre, 2280 Tower Hill Rd., Houghton Lake, Michigan. Applications available Monday through Friday. BOE.

COOK position open at King Nursing Centre, 2280 Tower Hill Rd., Houghton Lake, MI. Previous experience helpful, but can train for the position. Must be able to work swing shift. Apply today. -30-42

3. Employment

BE A COMMUNITY CO-ORDINATOR for CET/USA... This position involves finding quality families/homes for International Exchange Students. Also, working with local high schools for acceptance to attend school and supervising students while they are on our program. This commitment takes 2-4 hours a week, training is provided. Successful applicant receives bonus and supervision fee on each placement, plus the opportunity to travel overseas. This is not a salaried position. Respond to: Wyman Rich, 82 Gaige St., Sandusky, Michigan 44871, for return call. "Make a difference and have a chance to see the world". -16-23-30/3

RN or LPN 8-Hour Shifts

Join the dynamic team of Tendercare Gaylord, a 120-bed skilled-nursing facility with 16-bed ventilator unit. Full-time, part-time or P.R.N. positions available for dedicated professional nurses who desire to work in the best of long-term care. Excellent starting salary, health benefits including 401(K) plan available. Send resume or apply in person to:

Tendercare Gaylord, 508 Random Lane, Gaylord, MI 49735. (517) 732-3500. -30-42

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10/24/96tf/4

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-9-16-23-30/4

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-23-30-6-13/4

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-30-6/4

BC SNOW REMOVAL, reasonable rates. Call for estimates. 348-5754 or 348-4037.
-16-23-30/4

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5. For Sale

QUEEN SIZE WATER BED No wave with head board, \$450. Craftsman 5hp chain drive, \$300. O.B.O. Weed whacker, like new, \$60. Call 517-348-3188.
-23-30/5

4. Services Offered

SEWING, SEWING, SEWING Bridal to zippers, tailoring to mending. Call Shirley, 348-1348.
5/18/96tf/4

SNOWMOBILERS; according to the new law, registration #'s must once again be displayed on your sleds. For \$15 per sled we can make you vinyl decals in many colors and styles. Takes only minutes. Call Ross' Painting Co., 348-4096.
-30-6-13-20/4

WALLPAPER AND PAINT It's time to "Deck the walls." Ross' Painting Co. is now scheduling interior work for the 97-98 holiday season. If you're ready to paint those ceilings and walls, call for a free estimate today. Also wallpaper striping and drywall repair. Call 348-4096.
-30-6-13-20/4

PIANO TEACHER has openings. Call Karen 348-2891.
-30-6-13/4

PIANO TUNING AND REPAIRS Rogers Piano Service, Fairview, MI 48621. Over 20 years experience. (517) 848-2262.
3/19/91tf/4

DISH NETWORK 18" dish, \$199 + 40 channels for \$19.99 per month. Installation available. Northern Electronics, (517) 348-6944.
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Over 10 years experience
Choose fabric in your home
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1/25/96/4

5. For Sale

GOOD DOG: New wireless pet containment system on sale only at Five Oaks Nursery. Roscommon, 1-75 Business Loop. 517-275-5972.
-9-16-23-30/5

1986 32' ITASCA (Winnebago) Class A motor home, Chevrolet Chassis w/454 engine, new tires, low mileage, fully optioned, split bath and queen bed, excellent condition (garaged). Grayling 517-348-8642.
-30-6/5

1990 5TH WHEEL, 27 1/2 FT. PROWLER, Basement Model, Stand-up Bedroom w/ Queen Size Bed, Full Bath, Self-contained, 20 ft. Awning, Excellent Condition.
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1993 ARCTIC CAT 580Z with fox shocks, new skis, bumper, in excellent condition. \$2,850. Call 348-5474 days and ask for Randy.
-16-23-30/5

1993 ARCTIC CAT EXT 580Z with Fox shocks, new skis, bumper. in excellent condition. \$2,850.00. Call 348-5474 days and ask for Randy.
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BEN FRANKLIN airtight wood burning stove. Good condition. \$350 or best offer. 348-1506.
-23-30/5

CUSTOM DESIGNED GIFT BASKETS Handmade baskets and seasonal crafts by local artists are on sale at No Place Like Home. Please stop by our table at the Eagles Craft Show on Nov. 1st. To place an order or for more information call 1-888-866-NPLH. Located just 2 1/4 miles east of town at 2550 M-72. Thanks for your business!
-30/5

1995 440 SPORT POLARIS snowmobile, low mileage. \$3,000 or best offer. 348-6141 or 348-8497.
-23-30-6-13/5

5. For Sale

ROTTWEILER PUPPIES Beautiful markings. Pedigrees and 1st shots. \$300 females, \$250 males. Parents can be seen. 517-348-7234.
-16-23-30/5

WINCHESTER .22 SEMI-AUTOMATIC rifle, case and scope. Used, not abused. Call 348-4364 after 5 pm. \$175 or best offer.
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HAMMOND ORGAN, electric lawn mower, one double hide-a-bed, two single hide a beds. Call 348-6124.
-30/5

SEASONED OAK FIREWOOD \$40 per cord delivered and stacked. Leave message. 348-6340.
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PACKARD BELL 486 computer, complete with Epson printer, \$600. 348-7294
-30-6/5

FOR SALE hide-a-bed, two end tables, TV stand, washer. 348-5886.
-30/5

WATERBED MATTRESS INSERT with frame, \$50. 348-7513 days, 348-7746 evenings.
-30-6/5

SHEET STEEL used on pole barns. Assorted sizes \$1.00 per sheet. 517-348-7513.
-30-6/5

30.06 SAVAGE model 110, 4x40 Tasco scope with high rise mount. \$300. Barnett Wildcat cross bow, 150 lb. draw, \$75. 348-3351.
-30-6/5

CRIB good condition, no mattress. \$30. Infant car seat, \$15. 348-6967.
-30/5

DOUBLE BED mattress, matching dresser with mirror, \$425. Student desk, \$35. VCR cabinet, \$55. Call 348-2428. evenings.
-30/5

CENTURY 225 AMP commercial mig welder, \$1,000. Top of line Culligan water softener, like new, asking \$800. OBO. 517-348-7013.
-30/5

5. For Sale

6 HP RIDING MOWER 30" cut, excellent condition. \$300. 4 hp chipper vacuum with hose attachment, excellent condition, \$275. Gas, string trimmer, \$30. Call 348-3164.
-30/5

6. Wanted

TAKING BIDS FOR SNOW removal for downtown Grayling. Call Chamber office 348-2921 for more information.
9/25/97tf/6

WANTED TO BUY 5-10 acres on land contract. Call Pat at 348-1782.
-30/6

COOKIE JARS salt and pepper shakers. One or entire collections. 344-9800.
-23-30-6/6

8. Announcements

ATTENTION CUSTOMERS of 5 Oaks Nursery. Reasonable rental and Water Works Spa. New fall hours starting Oct. 1, Mon. - Fri., 8:30 - 5. Sat., 8:30 - 2, closed Sunday. 1-75 Business Loop, Roscommon. 517-275-5972.
-9-16-23-30/8


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9. Personals

HONEY, while I'm far away from you my baby, I know it's hard for you my baby, each night before you go to bed my baby, whisper a little prayer for me my baby. Love, Bee.
-30/9

DAD, Happy 44th birthday. We love you. Sean and Mom.
-30/9

Happy 15th Birthday Jessica BLV

Love, Dad, Mom, Callie & Samantha

8. Announcements

AVALANCHE OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday, 9 am to 5 pm. 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling — (517) 348-6811.

GROCERY BILLS TO HIGH? Dare us to save you 30%-50% off your weekly grocery bills! E-Z. For your free information packet call toll free. 1-888-880-6248.
-30-6/8

WELCOME WAGON HOSTESSES Call Betty Mansfield, 348-8562, or Mary Lou Passmore, 348-5816, if you are a new comer, engaged or a new mother.
8/3/85tf/8

Crawford County Fair Association Annual Meeting
Thursday, Oct. 30 • 7 pm
Crawford County Courthouse.

Anyone interested in promoting the fair and fairgrounds is welcome to attend.

Any questions, contact Judy Hoffa, 348-9319

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\$6.30	\$6.40	\$6.50	\$6.60	\$6.70	\$6.80	\$6.90	
\$7.00	\$7.10	\$7.20	\$7.30	\$7.40	\$7.50	\$7.60	

CLASSIFIEDS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE BY TUESDAY NOON

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Applications will be accepted by the Grayling Township Board until 4 pm November 18, 1997, from persons interested in serving as a member of the Grayling Township Zoning Board of Appeals.

Monica Ashton
Clerk
-30-6-13/8

OPEN ENROLLMENT

is now underway at Mercy Child Care Center. Enroll your 3- or 4-year-old today by calling Center Director Julie Sajdak at 348-0354. Space is limited, but we have room for a few more friends to join the fun.

Mom...we know you need a break. Perhaps our flexible hours will meet your personal needs for child care. You won't know until you've called 348-0354 today.

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Groundwater grants awarded

The Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) has awarded \$3 million in grants to 55 programs in 78 Michigan counties to help prevent the contamination of groundwater throughout Michigan, announced MDA Director Dan Wyant.

Wyant said programs in northern Michigan counties will receive a total of \$444,013.28 to help them protect groundwater resources.

The competitive grants, awarded through the Michigan Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Groundwater Stewardship Program, will go to cap potentially dangerous water wells no longer in use, help farmers evaluate their farming practices and provide technical assistance for individuals dealing with pesticide or fertilizer spills. In addition, grants will provide groundwater monitoring for private well-owners who are interested in their drinking water quality, a pesticide disposal program, and recycling of plastic pesticide containers. According to Wyant, "While the focus of the program is on groundwater resources alone, it has a wide scope and addresses the many uses of these materials,

including agricultural, turf-grass and household applications. Since it began in 1995, the Groundwater Stewardship Program has issued \$6,594,626 in grants to achieve its goals."

He added, "This program is a wonderful example of public and private agencies working in a cooperative spirit for Michigan's future."

Local Groundwater Stewardship teams determine local needs, apply for project funding and ensure the coordination of local resources to achieve the community's groundwater stewardship goals. The teams are made up of pesticide and nitrogen fertilizer users, representatives from commodity organizations and government agencies, agribusiness owners, as well as interested citizens.

The 1998 grants to northern Michigan counties include one that will affect Crawford County. There was \$60,920 sent to the Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Area Council, Inc. to help prevent contamination of groundwater in Ogemaw, Oscoda, Roscommon and Crawford counties.

The funding will support efforts to close abandoned wells, test crop soil for excess nitrates, plant cover crops to trap nitrogen, purchase equipment to prevent contamination and evaluate local farming methods.

This program originates from legislation sponsored by Sen. George McManus of Traverse City.

Funds for the program come from industry-supported pesticide and fertilizer registration fees on household and agricultural products. Registration fees are paid by companies which register their products for use in Michigan. A tonnage fee on bulk fertilizers is also a source of funding. Nitrogen tonnage fees are paid directly by bulk fertilizer users.

The Michigan Groundwater Stewardship Program is a cooperative effort between the Michigan Department of Agriculture, Michigan State University Extension and the Natural Resources Conservation Service. Close coordination is also maintained with Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Agribusiness Association, and the Michigan Association of Conservation Districts.

Legislation has civil liberty, law-enforcements on opposing sides of issue

by Vikas Bajaj
Capital News Service

A proposal to allow Michigan police officers to electronically monitor drug suspects is pitting civil liberties activists against law enforcement officials.

The state Senate passed a bill in early October to allow investigators to monitor telephone, person-to-person, e-mail and radio-transmitted conversations in drug-related cases. The measure is now in the House, where it has failed before and faces total opposition.

Opponents charge that the measure infringes on the privacy rights of participants in a monitored conversation, regardless of whether they're suspects.

But supporters contend the bill has enough safeguards to protect against abuses. The measure requires investigators to get permission from a local prosecutor, the state attorney general and a circuit or appellate court judge.

Ron Frantz, the Ottawa County prosecutor, said monitoring phones and other communication devices is sometimes the only way to gather evidence in drug-related cases.

Drug "kingpins" are often sheltered by layers of lower-level drug dealers, making it difficult to get first-hand evidence or witnesses willing to testify against their leaders, Frantz said.

"We often don't prosecute conspiracies and have a greater difficulty in locating higher-ups in drug cases," he said.

Federal officials already have the authority to electronically monitor suspects. Sen. William Van Regenmorter (R-Hudsonville) said the bill would give Michigan authorities the same leverage in dealing with drugs.

"The federal government and more than 30 states use electronic surveillance, typically wiretaps," said Van Regenmorter, who chairs the Senate Judiciary Committee.

But critics such as the American Civil Liberties Union contend electronic surveillance jeopardizes the privacy of innocent citizens.

"They don't let you know your phone is being tapped," said Wendy Wagenheim, the legislative affairs director for ACLU-Michigan. "And anybody who is using the phone can have their conversation heard."

Wagenheim said investigators "get

a lot of information they don't need" by monitoring conversations.

But Chris DeWitt, the communications director for Democratic Attorney General Frank Kelley, said the measure is narrow enough to minimize privacy abuses.

"Wiretapping is probably one of the most effective tools that law enforcement can use to go after drug suspects," DeWitt said. "Kelley's very concerned there are proper safeguards."

Wagenheim said research she has seen indicates wiretaps aren't very effective.

The measure faces strong opposition in the Democrat-controlled House. Rep. Laura Baird (D-Okemos) said the bill may die there because of objections from civil rights advocates.

"There is no big groundswell of support for enhancing police power," Baird said.

Baird said Kelley's support for the bill won't necessarily sway Democrat legislators to vote for the bill.

"Frank Kelley's the chief law enforcement officer in Michigan so, we may assume, he is going to take the position of wanting more crime-fighting tools."

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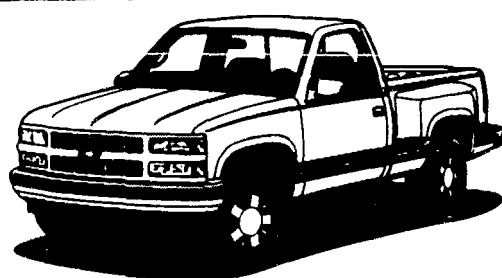
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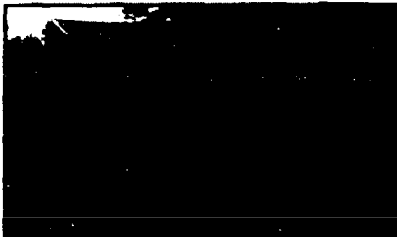
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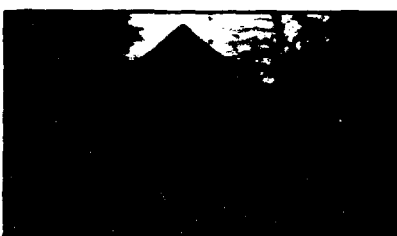
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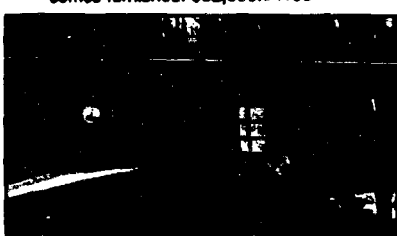
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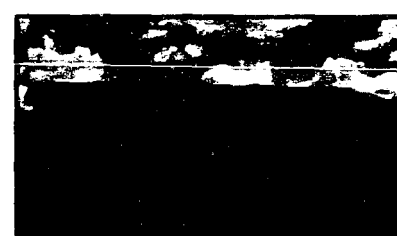
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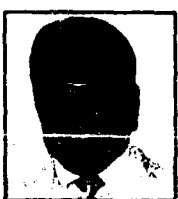
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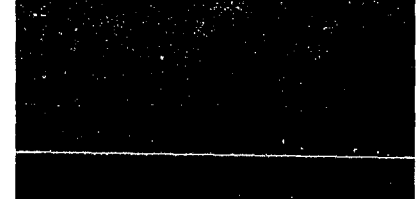
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